

NJ court says gays can be Scouts
But there's still uncertainty in Rhode Island over gay Boy Scouts at camp.
page 20

Leaving no stone unturned
A report from the Gay Men's Health Summit in Boulder.
page 13



Chocolate kisses
Talking with the stars of 'Better Than Chocolate.'
see Arts section



BAY AREA REPORTER

Vol. 29 • No. 32 • 12 August 1999

Serving the Gay & Lesbian Community for more than 28 years

Gaither murderer guilty, gets life

by Bob Roehr

The sad tale of Billy Jack Gaither came to a rapid conclusion last Thursday, August 5 when an Alabama jury found Charles M. Butler Jr. guilty of assisting in the grisly murder of the gay man. The panel of six women and six men needed only 2 1/2 hours to reach their conclusion at the end of the brutally graphic trial. Gaither's family had requested that the death penalty not be considered and Judge John E. Rochester sentenced Butler to life without parole.



Billy Jack Gaither

In February, Gaither's slashed and battered body was found among the smoldering remnants of a funeral pyre of kerosene-soaked tires, on an old dirt road beside Peckerwood Creek. Gaither, 39, had lived in Sylacauga, his small hometown about an hour's drive southeast of Birmingham, Alabama. He was helping to care for his disabled father.

A pair of assailants soon were nabbed and confessed to the crime. Steven Eric Mullins, 25, is a strapping 6 footer who weighs in at 200 pounds. Locals described him as "a skinhead wannabe," a racist with an SS tattoo on one hand, and a rap sheet for minor offenses. Earlier this year, Mullins pled guilty to murder in exchange for an agreement with the prosecutor not to seek the death penalty but rather life in prison without parole.

Butler, 21, initially considered a similar plea but then rejected it. The three-day trial, which began August 3, offered a variety of conflicting details, none of them particularly noble.

District Attorney Fred Thompson in his opening statement told the jury, "Billy Jack Gaither was a homosexual and that is the only reason why they killed him."

Mullins testified that he hated gays and he decided to kill the victim after Gaither propositioned him. That declaration was muddled by the fact that Mullins was sharing a trailer with an openly gay man at the time of the murder, and had known Gaither for about 18 months.

Butler's attorney, Billy Hill, argued that the motive was robbery, not anti-gay hate. He called a series of witnesses who said they were gay and did not think Mullins to be homophobic. One even claimed to have had oral sex with Mullins. Hill spun a theory, but offered no proof, that Gaither

page 22 ►

Heated debate over LGBTQQ shelter plan

by Cynthia Laird



San Francisco Supervisor Leslie Katz, right, outlined the proposed shelter plan at a lively meeting last Thursday, August 5.

A raucous meeting last Thursday, August 5 on a city proposal to turn a former gym in the Castro into a temporary shelter for queer-identified young people saw some angry residents criticize the plan while supporters were asking what it would take to make it work. The four-hour meeting was disrupted a couple of times as people wanted a chance to air their views, rather than sit through what some described as a "dog and pony show" by elected officials and other proponents.

A capacity crowd of about 100 people crammed into the former City Athletic Club on Market and 17th streets to attend the meeting, and by the time it was over, two working groups had been formed. One will focus on the Collingwood Park area of the Castro, the site of the temporary queer youth homeless shelter earlier this year that many residents of the area are still upset about because of what they described as lingering problems of people hanging out and using drugs near the Eureka Valley Recreation Center (EVRC). The second work group will meet to discuss issues around the new shelter proposal at the athletic club, for which planning is continuing.

The shelter advisory committee will meet this Wednesday, August 18.

"It went better than expected," San Francisco Supervisor Leslie Katz told the *Bay Area Reporter* last Friday. "It was certainly not a pleasant meeting, but with this, we have the luxury of time. I didn't hear complaints about the kids [who stayed at EVRC], but concerns about the unintended consequences [there]."

Under the current proposal, Tor Hansen, owner of the former City Athletic Club, has agreed to let the city use the space at no cost for a shelter targeted at lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning (LGBTQQ) young people between 18 and 23 years of age. Katz and Supervisor Mark Leno said the city has allocated \$250,000 in the current budget for services and staff for the shelter, which would be open 24 hours a

page 22 ►

Thirteen to challenge Brown for mayor, DA also faces opposition

by Wayne Friday

Last Friday's candidate filing deadline assured San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown and incumbent District Attorney Terence Hallinan that each will face at least two well-known and well-financed opponents when ballots are cast by city voters November 2.

San Francisco's popular sheriff, Michael Hennessey, will be unopposed in his re-election bid. Hennessey has held the office for 20 years.

Regarding the race for mayor, 13 challengers filed against Brown by the August 6 deadline. Former Mayor Frank Jordan decided to try for his old job back and entered the race last week. The other challenger viewed by many as a major opponent for Brown, is former political consultant Clint Reilly, who declared his candidacy earlier this year and also filed the necessary papers with the election department.

Board of Supervisors President Tom Ammiano, who had flirted with the idea of jumping into the race, opted out last Thursday, August 5. "The response to my possible candidacy was a strong and positive one, but I have made a personal decision not to run for mayor this time around," Ammiano said in a statement. Instead, he will focus on the November ballot measures to stop banks from double-charging for ATM transactions, strengthen city government sunshine requirements, and building affordable housing and improvements to transportation corridors around the Central Freeway.

Supervisor Leland Yee, who like Ammiano is a frequent Brown critic, also decided not to run for mayor. And former Supervisor Angela Alioto, who made a media splash when she went to City Hall recently to take out papers for the race, ultimately decided not to run and went to Italy for vacation.

In addition to Jordan and Reilly, others whose names will appear on the November 2 ballot for mayor are Joel Ventresca, a perennial candidate and longtime political activist who lost to Susan Leal in the 1997 treasurer's race; Cesar Ascarrunz, another perennial candidate

page 25 ►



Who's out: Tom Ammiano, Angela Alioto, Leland Yee



Who's in: Willie Brown, Frank Jordan, Clint Reilly, Jim Reid, Lucrecia Bermudez

INSIDE

ACT UP	24
BAR Talk	50
Classifieds	28
GLAAD	10
Mailstrom	7
Mister Marcus	44
Obituaries	25
Open Forum	6
Our Man Friday	9
OutRight	11
Out & About	42
Out There	34
Personals	53
Sports Complex	26

Every smile
begins with a
professional
dental visit



Richard A. Barrera
DENTIST

986-4534

490 Post St., Suite #520 • Union Square, San Francisco

THINKING ABOUT HAIR REMOVAL?

Only **ELECTROLYSIS** is
medically approved as
PERMANENT hair removal.

John Frizzell

Registered Electrologist
Call for Complimentary Consultation

(415) 626-2729



Need a good agent?

CALL

MATT FLYNN

415-385-0838

HERTH
REAL ESTATE

www.mattflynn.com

AGGRESSIVE, EFFECTIVE & EXPERIENCED LEGAL REPRESENTATION

Civil litigation • Contracts
Domestic Partnership matters
Guardianship • Personal injury and
property damage • Criminal defense

FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION

Serving San Francisco and the East Bay since 1989.

LAW OFFICES OF MARY NOLAN

2355 San Ramon Valley Blvd #105,
San Ramon, CA 94583

(tel) 925-743-1619 (fax) 925-743-2985
Nolanlaw@aol.com

Are you planning for the future you never thought you'd have?

Now is the best time to start building your financial security.

The Horton Investment Advisory Group will help you chart your future with personalized financial planning and investment advice. Our skilled financial advisors understand the challenges faced by the gay and lesbian community, and are here to help you make your dreams become reality.

We offer financial planning for the newly hopeful:

- ▼ Complimentary initial consultation
- ▼ Complimentary portfolio evaluation ▼ Openly gay, HIV-positive staff ▼ Estate planning and preservation

Contact Tom Swift at 415-283-1920 or
TomSwift1@aol.com
All are welcome.

Horton Investment Advisory Group
235 Montgomery Street, Suite 1126, San Francisco, CA 94104
Registered Investment Advisor. CA Lic. OC17799

Featured in The San Francisco Examiner & The Wall Street Journal.

Songs for working women

Women with roots:
Tribute to Tradeswomen
Fighting for Equality



The Bread and Roses Chorus serenaded participants at a Women's Rights Day forum sponsored by Bay Area Radical Women on Sunday, August 8. The event, commemorating the past accomplishments of women suffragists, focused on today's women in skilled trades, spotlighting their struggles to excel in occupations historically occupied by men.

Treasurer Leal receives LLEGO award

by Cynthia Laird

San Francisco Treasurer Susan Leal was recognized for her accomplishments by LLEGO, the National Latino/a Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Organization and AVES, Amigos Volunteers in Education and Services, Inc. last month when she received a Building Bridges Award at the National Council of LaRaza (NCLR) Conference in Houston.

Leal flew to Texas July 26 to accept the award and said she was honored at the announcement. Martin Ornelas-Quintero, execu-

tive director of LLEGO, stated that Leal received the award for her "commitment and dedication to building bridges between the Latina/Latino lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender community and other communities" as the city's first open Latina lesbian to win a four-year term to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

Leal left the board in January 1998 when she was sworn in as treasurer after winning that race in November 1997.

"As the city and county of San Francisco's treasurer, you have demonstrated your professionalism and tenacity when it comes to

banking and investment," Ornelas-Quintero added.

Leal told the *Bay Area Reporter* that it was important that NCLR allowed LLEGO to have the awards reception during their conference. "It's important that this queer organization is recognized by the LaRaza organization," Leal said, adding that LaRaza is a national Latino/a group. "They give the award to someone who reaches to communities and is not restricted to stereotypes on either side."

LLEGO has between 3,000 and 4,000 members, while NCLR had over 15,000 attendees at the recent conference. ▼

BACW's 'Different Drummer' dinner to honor past, present leaders Saturday

by Vicky Kolakowski

Bay Area Career Women (BACW), one of the nation's largest lesbian organizations, will honor some of its most outstanding present and past leaders at the annual "A Different Drummer" award dinner and dance this Saturday, August 14 in San Francisco.

"This event honors four BACW members whose contributions to the organization have been extraordinary," said Betty Sullivan, BACW's president.

The special Lifetime Achievement Awards will be presented to Maureen O'Leary and Betsy York, who were the founders of BACW's successful LAVA Awards (Lesbians of Achievement, Vision, and Ac-

tion), as well as to Tor Taylor and Karen Boutilier. All four women have provided significant leadership to the LAVA Awards dinner event, and have served as leaders on BACW's board of directors.

The annual LAVA Awards dinner and dance is the major fundraising event for BACW's philanthropic program "A Fund of Our Own," which has provided over \$250,000 to organizations supporting the lesbian community.

In addition to the four achievement awards, each of the BACW chapters has selected local leaders for special recognition during the dinner. The Super Stars Award recipients from the Central Valley Chapter are Nancy Reding, Faye Nunes, Mary Ann Rose, Lisa Boddy, and Donna Keir; from the Marin Chapter is to

be announced; from the Mid-Peninsula Chapter are Jane Alexander, Susan Hannah, Lynne Davis, Valerie Malloney, and Mary Farrell; from the Sonoma Chapter is Sherri Hoefling; and from the South Bay Chapter is Linda Boyd.

Like the LAVA Awards and most other BACW events, Saturday's celebration is open to the public and everyone is invited to attend. Tickets are \$39 per person and advance registration is required. ▼

The event starts at 6:30 p.m. at the Fort Mason Officers Club, Building 1, at Bay and Franklin streets. For tickets or more information, call (415) 495-5393. Visit the BACW website at www.bacw.org.

Old lesbian gathering tonight through Sunday at San Francisco State University

by Mark Norby

Tonight (Thursday, August 12) the Old Lesbians Organizing for Change (OLOC) organization will start its Summer 1999 Old Lesbian Gathering at San Francisco State University beginning with registration and check-in at 7 p.m. The gathering is for lesbians aged 60 years or older and their partners, though partners need not be over 60 years of age.

"In large and small groups we will look at our lives, critique our culture, and meet and greet each other from places far and near," says organizer Natalie Zarchin, who adds that the weekend will be filled with activities that reflect lesbians' shared experiences, hopes, strengths, courage, and the need for continuing activism.

"We want to especially address how our lives are changing with the times; how coming out is different today than in the past; how

relationships differ; and how we are creating community. It's also vitally important that we address forbidden topics such as death and dying, losing a partner, and death with dignity," Zarchin says.

Space is limited and early arrival is strongly encouraged. OLOC asks that no scents or perfumes be worn in order to respect the needs of women with environmental illnesses. Special accommodations will be provided

next page ►

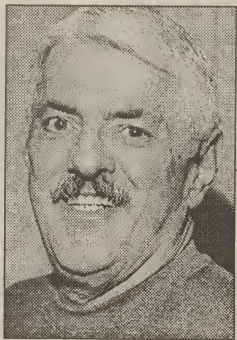
GodFather Service Fund calls it quits with celebration Sat.

by Mark Norby

The GodFather Service Fund will hold its final dinner celebration after 15 years of serving people with AIDS (PWAs) this Saturday, August 14, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Roccapulo Nightclub in San Francisco. The Fund, one of the longest surviving AIDS service organizations (ASOs) supporting San Francisco and Bay Area PWAs, will provide a free dinner, entertainment, and no-host cocktails for its last party honoring people helping people.

"We're closing our doors," GodFather Director Tom Vindeed tells the *Bay Area Reporter*. "The need for our organization is not there anymore, with the number of AIDS deaths dropping, with improved HIV medications, and due to safer lifestyles."

Through the years the GodFather Service Fund has focused its efforts on supporting PWAs throughout the Bay Area, both practically and emotionally. The Fund reached its heyday between 1986 and 1993, when the number of AIDS cases in San Francisco were at an all-time high. The GodFathers, as they were affectionately called, were volunteers who provided hospitalized PWAs with necessary items like toiletries, reading materials, bedroom slip-



Tom Vindeed

pers, and occasionally, groceries and meals. Their signature comfort item was the teddy bear, given to every patient they visited.

But perhaps the most comforting service provided by the GodFathers was company and companionship. Volunteers would spend hours talking with PWAs, sharing jokes, playing games, and easing the pain of a deadly disease.

Vindeed believes the GodFathers have served their purpose well and adds that the Fund has no interest in diversifying its services like other ASOs have done. He prefers to close shop altogether and hopes that the demand for

services to the PWA community will continue to decrease.

"We definitely don't want to become a corporate monster, and we don't have the resources to become a medications and meal delivery service to PWAs like Project Open Hand (POH). Hopefully the demand for these services will one day cease altogether."

Vindeed adds that the final dinner celebration is free of charge and that donations contributed during the evening will benefit the AIDS Emergency Fund, POH, and the Destination Foundation, a new organization similar to the Make-A-Wish Foundation that provides travel grants for PWAs and others with illnesses such as breast cancer.

Entertainment at the dinner will be provided by the San Francisco Imperial Court with performances by current emperor T.J. Istvan, former empress Alexis Miranda, grand duchess Christy Cruz, Marlena, and Don Pardo. "It's a last chance to say good-bye to an organization that has helped thousands. We're coming together to say thanks for all you've done for our community," says Vindeed. ▼

Roccapulo Nightclub is located at 3140 Mission Street. Reservations should be made early by calling (415) 241-1800.

GAPA's 'Runway' celebrates gay Asian Pacific creativity Saturday

by Mark Norby

The Gay Asian Pacific Alliance (GAPA) will present Runway 1999, the 11th annual Miss GAPA and Gay Asian Pacific Man Pageant this Saturday, August 14, at 7 p.m. at Herbst Theatre in San Francisco.

The runway pageant was winner of the 1995 Cable Car Award for "outstanding competition event," and this year's event, according to its organizers, promises to be a unique showcase that plays on the glamour of traditional pageants while pushing the outer boundaries of self-expression.

"Unlike other similar events," event manager Dino Duazo told the *Bay Area Reporter*, "this is no ordinary beauty contest, drag show, or body building competition. Instead, it's a spectacle of individuality where candidates are free to explore their utmost limits of creativity, all within a framework of camp, comedy and fun."

GAPA's mission is to furthering the interests of gay and bisexual Asians and Pacific Islanders by cre-

ating awareness, developing a positive identity, and establishing a supportive community. "Runway is just one flamboyant expression of this purpose," Duazo added. "As highly prominent representatives of the organization, Mr. & Miss GAPA help promote GAPA's goals and bring visibility not only within the broader lesbian and gay community, but also within the greater Asian Pacific population."

Aside from promoting personal creativity, the runway pageant also has cultural significance for many Asians and Pacific Islanders. "As Jeanette Lazam, former San Francisco Human Rights Commissioner, says, 'I don't think many folks understand the important role drag queens, cross-dressers and transgendered people have played in different cultures, especially in Asian countries,'" Duazo said.

In addition, Mr. GAPA sets out to highlight the special qualities of the Asian Pacific male. "Rather than follow an arbitrary ideal of what makes a man, participants are encouraged to create their own models of masculinity,"

Duazo said. "In doing so, each person on stage shares in expanding the sometimes limited perceptions others may have. For many contestants, it is this freedom to fully express themselves that makes Runway so special. Participation becomes more important than competition."

This year's entertainment features the talents of StickEEEE!, the Miss GAPA 1998 contest winner, as well as the return of the GAPA Dance Troupe, choreographed by Ian Michael-Enriquez, Danny Nguyen, and Michael Palad.

Runway 1999 is sponsored by PlanetOut, the largest online Internet service provider (ISP) to the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community. "PlanetOut currently serves an audience of over 375,000 visitors each month, and we're ecstatic to have them involved in our organization," Duazo said. ▼

The Herbst Theatre is located at 401 Van Ness Avenue in San Francisco. General Admission is \$20, or front orchestra tickets are available for \$30. Box seats are \$50, with proceeds benefiting the GAPA/George Choy Memorial Scholarship for queer Asian Pacific youth. Tickets are available at the door or through BASS outlets by calling (510) 762-BASS. For more information about Runway, call (415) 282-GAPA, or e-mail: Runway1999@aol.com.

the San Francisco State University Conference Center located at 800 Font Boulevard. The cost for the conference is \$185 to \$200 per person and includes three nights lodging at the university dorm. A banquet dinner with dancing and entertainment is planned for Saturday evening.

Old lesbians

◀ previous page

for anyone needing them, and those with special requests can call Zarchin at (510) 528-0018. ▼

The weekend will kick-off at

LEGAL QUESTION?



SCOTT A. GURSKY
Attorney At Law

- Personal Injury
- Motor Vehicle Accidents
- Business Law
- Insurance Claims
- Landlord-Tenant Disputes

No Charge For Initial Consultation
(415) 398-0298

One Embarcadero Center, Suite 1200
San Francisco, California 94111

GET FAST RELIEF FROM...

- Back, Neck, Pain, Hip, Knee or Ankle Pain
- Headaches • Muscle & Joint Aches
- Sciatica • Auto Injuries • Work Comp Cases

Located on the Muni K Line.

Easy street parking • Evening & weekend hours

ADVANTAGE CHIROPRACTIC

• PAIN RELIEF CENTER •

Call today for a free consultation

587-7000

2445 Ocean Ave. (1/2 Block East of Junipero Serra)

robert e. neger, m.d.

FREE CONSULTATION

Laser Vision Correction
Permanent Facial Implants
Laser Eyelid Surgery



Board Certified Ophthalmologist
Oculoplastic & Reconstructive Surgery

415.647.7730

1301 Church Street San Francisco, CA 94114

www.eyedoc.org/eyesite



St. Agnes Church

(Jesus Fathers)

1025 Masonic Ave. 487-8560

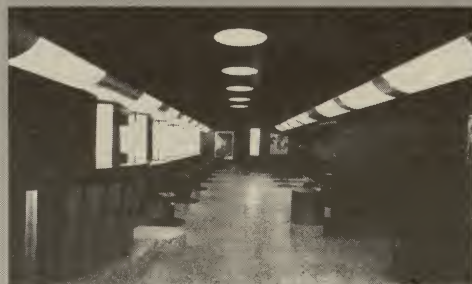
Parking off Oak St.

Masses: Sat. 4:00pm, Sun. 8:30, 10:00am • 6:00pm

Welcome to our diverse and inclusive Community of Faith.

Prisms Salon

Serving Our Community for 14 Years



2380 Market at Castro San Francisco

B.A.R. August Special*

Free

Lash Tint, Brow Tint or Brow Wax
With Every Facial Treatment

(Mention that you saw this ad in the B.A.R. for a free assortment of Dermalagica product samples.)

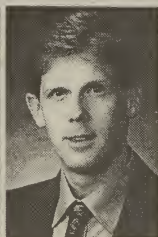
415-558-9976

Hair Cuts Color Facials Waxing Lash & Brow Tints

Michael W. Blevins, D.D.S. & ASSOCIATES



Michael W. Blevins, D.D.S.



Barry Witt, D.D.S.

Cleanings done
by the dentist

Simple to full
mouth reconstruction

26 years combined
experience

We are pleased to announce that
Barry Witt, D.D.S. is joining our practice of
Cosmetic, Preventive and General Dentistry.

450 Sutter Street • Suite 1233 • San Francisco
415 • 986 • 6223

Sedation, MC/Visa, AMEX, Insurance

Cosmetic, Preventive & General Dentistry

Affordable Bankruptcy Richard LaCava, Attorney at Law

Free Consultations
Chapter 7 & 13 Bankruptcy
Evening & Weekend Appointments Available
Convenient Mission/Castro Office

Call 415. 282. 8960



**COLDWELL
BANKER**

- Relocation Specialist
- Income Property
- 1031 Exchanges
- First Time Buyers
- Probate Sales
- Estate Liquidation



415.621.4114

**Jim Laufenberg Kean Brewer
Realtors**

Back in the Castro!

*Luisa's Incontro
Ristorante*

*Fabulous Authentic Italian
Cuisine in a Romantic Setting.*

Luisa's Incontro Ristorante

4230 18th St./Diamond

Hours:

Tuesday - Thursday 4-11

Friday/Saturday 4-midnight

Sunday 4-11

Closed Mondays

For reservations

415-437-6722

Tie vote to save Daphne leaves uncertainty; coalition plans appeal

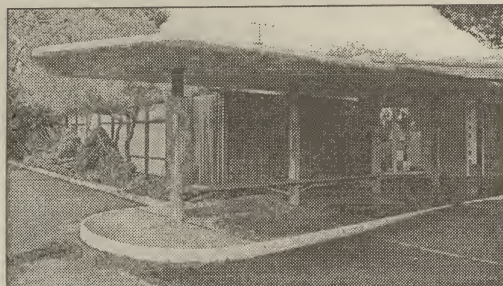
by Mark Norby

The last funeral at the Daphne Funeral Home may be its own, as the Friday, August 6 hearing of the state Historical Resources Commission saw a tie vote that, technically speaking, could slate the unique structure for demolition. The tie vote means that unless the Coalition to Save the Daphne—a group of architects, architectural historians, and citizens—appeals the vote to the National Register, the Daphne will be demolished and the property will likely be turned into 93 units of affordable housing through a city partnership with the nonprofit Bridge Housing Corporation.

The tie vote was unexpected from both those in favor and those opposing preservation of the Daphne. The commission has nine members, but at last Friday's meeting only eight appeared due to one member being ill.

"We're not about to give up and we're confident that we will appeal and eventually win the nomination to save the Daphne," Michael Blackford, spokesperson for the Coalition to Save the Daphne, told the *Bay Area Reporter*. "We plan to appeal by the end of the week [August 13] and we've got enough support to save this one-of-a-kind structure."

Blackford and a host of architects took turns speaking in favor of the modernist building that they believe is "an informal, contemporary design," and is "... one of the most significant architectural structures in San Francisco." Their aim is not only to preserve the Daphne, but also to turn it into an educational facility.



Rick Gerner

Uncertainty for the Daphne Funeral Home

Among the schools currently interested in occupying the Daphne, according to Blackford, are the Western Addition Academy—a planned grammar school that has filed a charter with the city—and the Waldorf School, a grammar school currently located on Washington Street in San Francisco that would expand to the Daphne property to include a high school.

Designed in 1949 by the renowned architect A. Quincy Jones, the Daphne Funeral Home was completed in 1953 using a combination of natural materials including unfinished wood and bricks. The straightforward geometric shapes that comprise the building reflect what Jones believed would be a "modern, rational funeral home."

The Daphne survived a 1967 fire and its restoration followed closely the original design set forth by Jones. According to Chandler McCoy, an architect defending the Daphne and a coalition member, "The fire in 1967 didn't affect the integrity of the building. The original design of the Daphne is still prevalent." But

Carol Galante, an opponent of the Daphne who spoke on behalf of Bridge Housing, said, "The Daphne suffers serious integrity problems. The nomination to save the Daphne is seriously flawed. The Daphne has not been found to be of historical significance and does not meet the criteria used to judge if a structure should be preserved."

According to Galante and other opponents of preserving the Daphne, the building fails to meet the basic requirements for preservation nomination. These include the age of the building, entry into the National Registry of Historic Places, as well as the perceived integrity of the building. "The Daphne is not at least 50 years old," Galante continued. "It is not listed in the National Registry of Historic Places, and, I repeat, the structure has serious integrity problems."

In addition to the coalition's vision of providing an educational facility inside the existing Daphne structure, they have suggested that the eastern and southern portions

page 25 ▶

Police closer to ruling out son in TG's murder

by Ed Walsh

Orinda police say they're getting closer to eliminating Max Wills as a possible suspect in the bludgeoning death of his transgendered mother, Emmon Bodfish.

Investigators say they can account for most of Wills's whereabouts in Southern California from June 22 until June 30, when he checked into a Santa Monica hotel room where he committed suicide. The police disclosure represents a significant development in the case because it places Wills in Southern California during the time police believe his mother was murdered.

Orinda police Sergeant Chris Wenzel told the *Bay Area Reporter* that Wills had been traveling in the Southern California area, camping and staying with friends but there were "a few days" in that eight-day span in which he would have had the opportunity to come

back to the Bay Area and return to Southern California. Investigators are continuing to interview witnesses in an attempt to narrow the gaps in the timeline. Wenzel added that they are also waiting for the results of crime lab evidence, some of which was sent out of state for analysis.

Police are also now for the first time releasing, albeit one detail, about the contents of Wills's suicide note. Wenzel told the B.A.R. that Wills mentioned his mother in the note, but Wenzel wouldn't elaborate. "There's a lot more I'd like to be able to tell you," Wenzel said. "But you have to understand that when sensitive information is released to the press, it could fall into the hands of potential suspects and that could damage the investigation."

"This is a very unusual case," Wenzel added.

Wenzel also confirmed that Wills's grandmother, Edith Wills, had told Wills about his mother's death on June 30, just hours be-

fore he checked into the hotel. Wenzel said Mrs. Wills told investigators that Wills was "upset" when he heard the news.

Wills's body was found in his room the following day with his wrists and throat slashed. Orinda police continued to search for Wills until July 6, when they were informed that he had committed suicide by this reporter. The B.A.R. confirmed the death after observing a coroner's seal that was placed on the door of Wills's Marin City home on July 2, the day after his body was found.

The Contra Costa County Coroner's office, while maintaining that Bodfish "died as a woman," late last week told the B.A.R. that Bodfish had a double mastectomy but couldn't classify it as gender reassignment surgery because her breasts may have been removed for medical reasons. The coroner's office said Bodfish never obtained a court order changing her sex and hadn't had genital gender reassignment surgery. ▼

Something to talk about



Representatives from participating agencies display a bus shelter ad serving as part of a broad-based media campaign encouraging gay and bisexual Latinos to talk with their peers about family, partners, and HIV. The six-month campaign, focusing on the Mission District, speaks to such issues as sexual silence, homophobia, and the importance of family. Pictured are Hector Carillo, UCSF/CAPS; Oscar Macías, Proyecto Contra SIDA por VIDA; José Ramón Fernández-Peña, MNNC; James Nguyen, Stop AIDS Project; and Erick Arguello, El Ambiente. The campaign includes 24 bus shelters, 300 bus interior ads, and point-of-purchase displays with informational brochures.

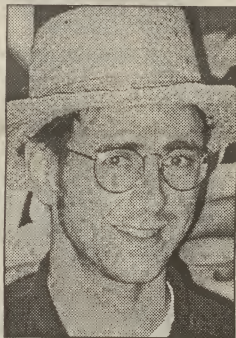
CHAMP picnic to raise funds for legal defense and renovations

by Liz Highleyman

Cannabis Helping Alleviate Medical Problems, the San Francisco medical marijuana dispensary better known as CHAMP, will hold a fundraiser this Saturday, August 14, at Duboce Park to raise money for the organization's programs and renovation, and for the legal defense fund of CHAMP Executive Director Ken Hayes.

Hayes was arrested in May along with his partner Cheryl Hoya Sequeira and Michael Foley, who works as CHAMP's dispensary manager. The three were charged with cultivating and possessing marijuana after Sonoma County officials seized 800 plants, 10 pounds of processed cannabis, and one pound of hashish from their home near Petaluma. On August 2, a Sonoma judge dropped a charge of manufacturing a controlled substance, saying that it was not intended to apply to hashish production.

According to the Hayes, the seized marijuana was being grown for medical purposes to supply CHAMP members who use the drug to relieve AIDS-related wasting, nausea due to chemotherapy, and other symptoms. The defendants and their attorneys claim that growing medicinal cannabis is in accordance with Proposition 215, the statewide medical marijuana initiative passed by California voters in November 1996. Hayes told the *Bay Area Reporter*,



CHAMP's Ken Hayes

"Proposition 215 allows for the cultivation of marijuana for medicinal purposes, yet the prosecution continues. This is like passing a law that allows people to have and possess milk, yet outlaws cows."

Sonoma County District Attorney Mike Mullins contends that Proposition 215 allows medical marijuana users to grow cannabis for their own use, but not for sale or distribution to other patients.

Federal authorities have repeatedly made it clear that they believe that state law does not override federal anti-drug regulations. Last week in Sacramento, Judge Garland Burrell sentenced B.E. Smith to 27 months in prison for growing 87 marijuana plants for medicinal use; Smith is the

first person to be sentenced under federal law since the passage of Proposition 215.

A preliminary hearing for Hayes, Sequeira, and Foley is scheduled for September 22. According to Hayes, "It is my belief and the belief of my attorneys that finding a jury who will convict the three of us will be very difficult. We believe that this case could set a precedent that could have statewide ramifications." Hayes is represented by Attorney William Panzer, a co-author of Proposition 215.

In addition to dispensing medical cannabis to members who have a physician's authorization, CHAMP also sponsors several community programs including a Saturday evening dinner and entertainment social, a weekly harm reduction group, yoga and wellness groups, and an HIV support group. All services are provided free of charge to CHAMP members.

Saturday's fundraiser will feature music, speakers, a homestyle barbecue, and a raffle of items donated by numerous community businesses and individuals. The event is free but donations will be gladly accepted. ▼

The CHAMP fundraiser will take place on August 14 from noon to 6 p.m. at Duboce Park on Duboce Street between Church and Castro. For more information, see the website at www.champsf.org.

Queers to pack Sacramento legislative hearing on civil rights bills Tuesday

by Vicky Kolakowski

Activists statewide are calling on every available supporter of gay and lesbian rights to travel to Sacramento to pack the Senate Judiciary Committee's hearing room during delibera-

tions on three important civil rights bills this Tuesday, August 17. "This isn't a protest or a sit-in. It's a show of strength - for our legislative friends as well as those not inclined to be so friendly," wrote Laurie McBride, Assembly Speaker Antonio Villaraigosa's lesbian and gay community liaison,

in an e-mail announcement to statewide activists. McBride is a former executive director of the now-defunct LIFE Lobby, a statewide queer lobbying group. "On just about every bill dealing with gay issues (pro and con), the 'other side' packs the hearing

page 27 ►

The EXPERIENCE presents a free community event

open a new window

The EXPERIENCE, which has been conducting workshops in the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender communities for over 21 years, presents an evening dedicated to personal expansion. Participate in spirited discussions and interactive processes designed to explore enhancing your personal effectiveness, and taking steps towards creating a more integrated and rewarding way of life.

saturday, august 7 @ 7 pm
MCC Church, 150 Eureka Street

To learn more or to RSVP please contact us:
toll-free **800.966.3896**
local **415.431.9348**
email TheExperience@TheExper.org

The EXPERIENCE is a non-profit educational organization serving the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and allied communities since 1978

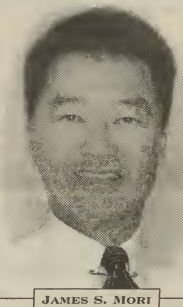
join us at the next EXPERIENCE workshop
september 10-12, 1999

www.theExperience.org



SAN FRANCISCO

MORI & ASSOCIATES ATTORNEYS



JAMES S. MORI

Business Law / Real Estate
Creditor's Rights & Bankruptcy / Construction Law
Commercial Law - UCC / Landlord - Tenant
Small Business Representation / Domestic Partnership Issues

Telephone: (415) 864-1890 Fax: (415) 864-1891
Financial District and Castro offices

17 years litigation & trial experience in Federal and State Courts

MOVING SALE

FINAL DAYS • FINAL REDUCTION

Entire inventory of handmade oriental rugs.

50% OFF

our regular low prices on oriental rugs.

Persian, Turkish, Chinese, Afghani, Kelim, nepalese, Indian, Pakistani, Tea Washed, Vegetable Dyed.

From runner to room sizes, we must sell to the bare walls.

DON'T MISS OUT!

SINCE 1970

OMID

ORIENTAL RUGS

Ninth & Brannan
San Francisco

1.800.404.OMID

Sale hours: Mon-Sat 10-6pm, Sun 12-5pm.

BAY AREA REPORTER

Volume 29, Number 32
12 August 1999**PUBLISHER**
Bob Ross**ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER**
Mark Allen Thompson**NEWS EDITOR**
Cynthia Laird**ARTS EDITOR**
Roberto Friedman**POLITICAL EDITOR**
Wayne Friday**ASSISTANT EDITORS**
Mark Mardon
Mark Norby**CONTRIBUTING WRITERS**
Tavo Amador • Heidi Beeler • David Bianco
Erin Blackwell • John Blanco • Dan Blue
Victoria A. Brownworth • Phillip Campbell
Chris Culwell • Jameson Currier • Richard Dodds
Nisa Donnelly • Liz Highleyman • Brandon Judell
Robert Julian • John F. Karr • Matthew Kennedy
Vicky Kolakowski • Simon LeVay • Daniel Mangin
Mister Marcus • Gary Morris • Jim Nawrocki
Lois Pearlman • Deborah Peifer • Timothy Pfaff
Jim Provenzano • Mary Richards
Adrian Roberts • Bob Roehr • Shan Schwartz
Will Shank • Marv. Shaw • Paul Thomason
Aimée Ts'ao • Stephanie von Buchau
Helen Vozenilek • Dick Walters**ART DIRECTION & DESIGN**
Adrian Roberts**AD PRODUCTION & LAYOUT**
Kurt Thomas**PRODUCTION ASSISTANT**
Scott King**PHOTOGRAPHERS**
Jane Philomen Cleland • Darlene/PhotoGraphics
Marc Geller • Rick Gerharter**ILLUSTRATORS & CARTOONISTS**
Paul Burge • Jerry Business
Ben Carlson • Fran Frisch**GENERAL MANAGER**
Michael M. Yamashita**ADVERTISING MANAGER**
David McBrayer**CIRCULATION**
Clifford Webb**BARTALK PERSONALS**
Mike Lacy**NATIONAL ADVERTISING REPRESENTATIVE**
Rivendell Marketing Company, Inc.
212.242.6863**LEGAL COUNSEL**
Thomas E. Horn, Esq.**MEMBER**
National Gay Newspaper Guild
United Press International**Bay Area Reporter**
395 Ninth Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.861.5019 • 415.861.7230A division of Benro Enterprises, Inc. © 1999
Published weekly, Bay Area Reporter reserves the right to edit or reject any advertisement which the publisher believes is in poor taste or which advertises illegal items which might result in legal action against Bay Area Reporter. Ads will not be rejected solely on the basis of politics, philosophy, religion, race, age, or sexual orientation. Advertising rates are available upon request. Our list of subscribers and advertisers is confidential and is not sold. The sexual orientation of advertisers, photographers, and writers published herein is neither inferred nor implied. We are not responsible for unsolicited manuscripts or artwork.**VERIFIED**
AUDIT CIRCULATION

The Bay Area Reporter is printed on 100% recycled paper using soy-based inks.

OPEN FORUM

A chance to reduce HIV

The California Senate and Governor Gray Davis have an opportunity to dramatically help people at high risk for HIV/AIDS and to reduce transmission of the disease in Assembly Bill 518, which is scheduled for a vote on the Senate floor around August 26. AB 518, authored by Assemblywoman Kerry Mazzoni (D-San Rafael) and co-authored by Assemblyman Kevin Shelley (D-San Francisco), is a moderate approach to needle exchange, and does not mandate or provide funding for such programs but simply provides local governments that choose to establish needle exchange programs the legal authority to do so.

The bill would authorize clean needle and syringe exchange projects, and would authorize pharmacists, physicians, and certain persons under those projects to furnish hypodermic needles and syringes without a prescription or permit.

Each year, 8,000 Californians are infected with HIV; and injection drug use is the second leading cause of those infections. In 1998, injection drug use accounted for 25 percent of all new AIDS cases.

Numerous scientific studies show that needle exchange can radically reduce the number of HIV infections while in no way increasing drug use. Yet the continued question of the legality of needle exchange programs in California has inhibited several communities interested in starting such programs — including Sacramento, Long Beach, Contra Costa, and Santa Clara — from doing so; AB 518 would clarify these ambiguities that continue to interfere with the development and implementation of local needle exchange efforts.

While San Francisco and some East Bay cities now have needle exchange programs, AB 518 would allow these efforts to be duplicated by local communities around the state. This can only be good news for people who use injection drugs but now have no easy way to get clean needles in many parts of the state.

AB 518 was approved by the Assembly 43-31 earlier this year and its approval in the state Senate looks promising, according to the San Francisco AIDS Foundation, which strongly supports the bill. Also, a

staff member in Assemblywoman Mazzoni's office says that things "look pretty good" for passage when the bill comes up for a vote.

Unfortunately, while Davis acknowledged the efficacy of needle exchange in reducing HIV transmission during his campaign last year, there are now strong indications that he is leaning toward vetoing the legislation. Davis should put sound public health policy and the well-being of state residents ahead of imprudent political considerations and sign the bill if the Senate approves it. State senators have an equal opportunity to help Californians at risk for HIV/AIDS and they should vote in favor of the bill so that it gets to the governor's desk.

If Davis vetoes AB 518, needle exchange programs in California will continue to operate on the fringe, when they should be expanded and made easier for people to access. The moderate approach to needle exchange that the bill outlines was designed

to appeal to a broad coalition of supporters, including the city and county of Los Angeles, which co-sponsored the bill, the California Medical Association, the American Association of Pediatrics, and the California Nurses Association, as well as numerous governmental bodies, AIDS service organizations, health groups, and public health officials.

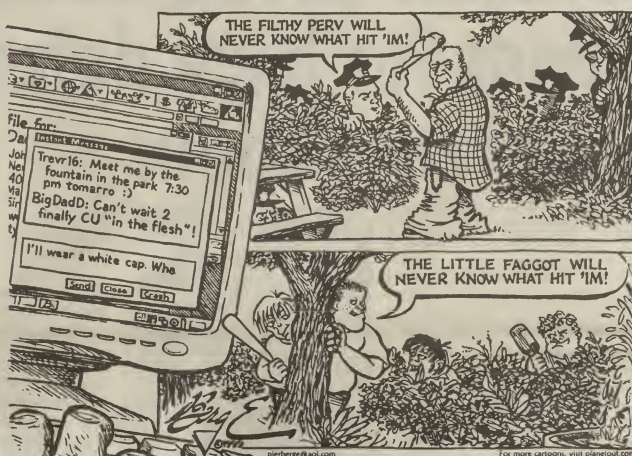
In addition to the public health aspects of needle exchange, there are financial and social considerations: lifetime care for a person infected with HIV costs an estimated \$119,000; a clean needle costs 10 cents. Needle exchanges keep dirty needles off the streets and out of the parks, where the general public, particularly children, might inadvertently come in contact with them.

It is up to the Senate and Governor Davis to seize the opportunity to put the protection of public health ahead of misguided fear and right-wing politics.

To the Senate: Approve AB 518. To the governor: Sign it. ▼



Editorial



This is your life on speed

by Kevin M. Rosenstein

As a very recent speed user, I have firsthand experience with the intoxication and tragedy of methamphetamines. And, I am in no position to judge anyone who is using currently — it is far too close to assume that pretension. Having watched a friend who had used over 20 years anesthetize his pain and toy with his sanity, his job, and his sociability should have been enough to make me stop. It wasn't.

As is widely known, the substance is wildly insidious (in a journal, I once described it as a white snake of smoke). It slowly moves into your life; starting innocently enough — just a bump or two to jump-start an evening. You get a rush of energy and an anxious feeling, skin all a-tingle. And, all of a sudden, all of your pleas for a 26-hour day seem fulfilled. Your sex life — that merit badge of a gay lifestyle, suddenly seems on permanent overdrive. And, offered little validation from society at large, you can at least strut through your own community like a chief.

Soon the single bump multiplies into two or three or more. The size of the lines grows. You feel perfectly comfortable saying, "Why not?" After all, it feels like the miracle drug you have always sought. Need to work longer hours? Forget trying to manage your workload, just smoke a bit. Not feeling social? Do a line — you almost have to go out (unless you are staying in and having sex or cleaning on overdrive).

Then it begins to solidify as a part of your life. All of a sudden, you find you can't work a normal day without it. And, those bumps last night require more bumps this

morning in order to make it through the day. Sex is just too quick without it.

You ignore the odor you're emitting. And, the mirror hides well your distant gaze. So, you only spend time with other friends using speed — you have so much in common (like trying to figure out what to do all night). It offers the ultimate in rationalizations, each tailored to one's own particular weakness.

Best of all, you can start having paranoid/delusional fantasies. You can hear voices, from places as strange as the Bohemian Club, which begin and end outside your actual usage. You can be convinced to do strange things, like limp across town all to save yourself from your paranoia. If you are someone like me, someone who considers himself to be fairly sane, you can find yourself believing the voices are not caused by crystal at all, despite what your boyfriend, friends, family, and experts tell you to the contrary. Beyond paranoia, you may even start to feel trapped as if you were a butterfly specimen that some strange collector had decided to pin onto his velvet board. It is not a good feeling.

Sometimes, you even have one of those flashes of clarity where you see the usage in relation to all of the other aspects of your life and you stop. For a while, the spark of your old life re-ignites. And then the crystal's siren call starts again. First, just an itch, then an urge, and finally a deafening yearning.

When the call comes, whom do you look to for support? Well, in my case, I had sloughed off most of my non-using friends.

So, of course, I turned to my using comrades. Given human nature and our own internal need to justify our own actions, this group could not offer support toward not using, even when they really cared and wanted to help.

I've stopped and I've started. I've stopped again and I've started again. I've stopped now and tried to develop a plan to guarantee its extermination from my life. Writing this essay is a part of my own plan. I've stopped for my new nephew, for my family, for my partner, and mostly for myself and I want it to work. If I should stumble, I will reconvent myself to quitting.

Why? Because in reality, it isn't the answer. It isn't a cure-all. Not for an individual and not for the gay community. It's a dangerous placebo veiled in a seductive white silk scarf. In my heart, I do not condemn anyone who

uses. I only too well empathize with whatever solution they are seeking by using. But, with conviction, I would shout that the snake oil can't prolong your life or grow back hair from your balding head. Its path is too treacherous for most people; myself included, to use in small doses. The effects — both direct and side effects — are toxic.

It's really easiest not to ever start. And, it's really hardest to really stop. But, other people have proven that it can be done. There are too many shining examples of people who have gotten out to ignore. With the grace of God and continuing support from an incredible network, I hope to be able to add myself to that list. But, only after I have assured myself that I belong on it. ▼

Guest Opinion

LETTERS

When you get your rights ...

I'm writing to commend Paul Barwick for his guest opinion article (July 29). He applauded the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) for refusing to support a national Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) that excludes transgendered people, and he chastised Dale Carpenter for his July 1, 1999 "OutRight" column that criticized the NGLTF for its stand on ENDA.

While a vanilla queer such as Mr. Carpenter may imagine that he is more acceptable to straight America than a transsexual or other transgendered person, and sometimes that may be the case, we are faced with many powerful, organized, lobbying, check-writing opponents who would paint us all with horns and pitchforks. They must be overjoyed at this rift in our community. The most damaging impediments to any movement are mistrust and discrimination. In his expeditious approach to obtaining equality for "normal" queers at the expense of the "T" people in the LGBT rainbow, Mr. Carpenter has shown us all the face of selfishness, an attitude that has no place in a civil rights struggle.

When I first read his July 1 column, I was tempted to write a letter asking him, "When you get your rights, will you help us transgendered people fight for ours? Or will it be a case of I got mine; good luck to you?"

Well, Mr. Carpenter?

Christine Beatty
San Francisco

There are many gay rights issues

If Dale Carpenter wonders why the gay rights movement "must tie its fate with various left-leaning groups in order to win equality" ("OutRight," July 15), the answer is simple: it is because not all gay and lesbian individuals are part of the same predominantly upper-middle-class, upwardly mobile, professional, conservative group of white men who make up the majority of the Log Cabin Republicans. Were the members of the Log Cabin Club straight instead of gay they would have little in common with the rest of us. And if all barriers related to sexuality were completely removed, they would have relatively easy access to join the social, economic, and political elite in our society. For other gays and lesbians who are not so fortunate, this is not the case.

Imagine the situation of a young man who grows up in the poverty stricken rural Midwest or South and who is consistently physically abused and verbally harassed by his family, peers, and community for being gay. He might desire to get the hell out of that place however quickly he can, and move to a more tolerant location such as San Francisco. But if the school he attended was underfunded and resource-poor, and if jobs and economic opportunities were lacking in his hometown, he might lack the necessary education, employment experience, and skills to find a good-paying job once he arrived here.

He might get a relatively low-skill job paying minimum wage but we know from economic studies that the minimum wage in San Francisco barely sustains a subsistence-level standard of living. If he's lucky, he might find a good roommate situation in our increasingly tight housing market, or he might be lucky to finally reach the top of a long waiting list for low income housing in a hotel. If he's unlucky, he might end up living and sleeping on the streets, where he will experience an increased exposure to physical illness and violence. He might decide he needs to rent his body for money to buy food, and thus put himself at increased risk of contracting HIV or some other sexually transmitted disease. If his job is only part-time, or does not provide health insurance, he might not be able to have access to or afford the kinds of health care and subsidized prescriptions for anti-HIV medication now available to many others.

Or imagine the situation of a woman who divorces, or is divorced by, her husband after she comes out as a lesbian. Statistics show that when women get divorced, they experience a 73 percent drop in their standard of living. And because of continued gender discrimination and pay inequity in the workforce, she may not have accumulated enough financial resources to stand on her own without assistance. If she has custody of her children, she may become primarily or wholly responsible for child care, and the health, feeding, and upbringing of her children. Because of her precarious financial situation, she may feel particularly vulnerable at her job, and not feel that she can be as open or assertive about her sexuality for fear of being dismissed or passed over for promotion.

The gay rights movement has a slogan: We are everywhere. If this is true, then it makes sense that our struggle for equality should include the struggle for universal access to health care, a guaranteed living wage, affordable and adequate housing for all, affordable and subsidized child care, a massive infusion of funds and investment of resources in our nation's schools, and the demand that some of the share of the money of our bloated defense budget be redirected towards alleviating the poverty-stricken among us.

Since gay and lesbian people are found at all levels of our society, and since institutionalized anti-gay discrimination and homophobia make gay and lesbian people particularly vulnerable to falling through the ever-widening cracks in our society, I conclude that these are gay rights issues.

Stephen S. Bayer
San Francisco

Blaming the victim?

While it's good to see violence against transgendered people being covered in your paper, the recent coverage of Emmon Bodfish's death by Ed Walsh is seriously flawed. If Walsh would like to know why Bodfish led the "double life" which mystifies him so, he has only to look at his own attitude. It is very clear that Bodfish identified and lived as a man. In all probability, his death was a result of the discovery of his transgendered identity. The disrespect shown by Walsh every time he refers to Bodfish as "she" is inexcusable.

Has the gay press learned nothing from Donna Minkowitz's coverage of Brandon Teena's rape and murder, which constantly referred to him as a woman? Paramedics refused to treat Tyra Hunter when they discovered that she was a preop transsexual woman. Her punishment for failing to uphold gender stereotypes was death. All this surprise and disapproval should highlight anti-transsexual bias. To focus on Teena's "masquerade" or Hunter's "secret" or Bodfish's "double life" is to blame the victim.

The fact is that Bodfish and other transnians who go public about their gender identities are being honest and aboveboard, not secretive, mysterious, or deceptive. It is the hatred and disbelief of non-transsexuals, who refuse to grant people the dignity of expressing their gender as they perceive it, that is the problem here. People have a right to try to protect themselves from stigma or persecution, and sadly, for transsexuals, that often means living with a split between the past and the present.

Walsh's coverage is on a par with something out of the Weekly World News. Instead of calling for justice for the victim, or connecting this crime to the epidemic of violence against differently-gendered people, Walsh generates cheap sensationalism and titillation by treating Bodfish as a freak.

Calling Bodfish "she" in print is another form of bludgeoning, erasing, and annihilating him. It is every bit as heinous as hometown newspaper obituaries for gay men with AIDS that attempt to conceal their sexual orientations and the nature of their illness. Given the terrible way that this poor man died, and the enormously stressful and difficult life he led, can we not show a modicum of respect and decency in the way we discuss this crime? If we cannot offer him dignity, and honor his life path, who ever will?

Pat Califia
San Francisco

[Ed Walsh responds: It's an issue I've tried to be very sensitive about that Bodfish led a double life, presenting herself/himself both as a man and woman. Two years ago when she/he bought her/his home in Mill Valley, neighbors say she/he first introduced herself/himself to them as Margaret and then later passed herself/himself off as Emmon, telling them that Emmon was Margaret's son. Bodfish had the option of obtaining a court order declaring herself/himself male but chose not to do so. By referring to Bodfish as a man, couldn't that be construed as misogynist, by denying her the female identity that she chose to keep?]

The mayor and high rents, evictions

Regarding your recent ad indicating that Mayor Brown is not anti-gay. We are happy to know that if Willie happens to get re-elected, there will be no attacks on our community. What this means is that our LGBT community can look at other issues that directly impact our community. In short, we can look at quality of life issues like housing, living wages, and MUNI.

Our community has suffered deeply in the last four years. Many LGBT people have been evicted or driven out of San Francisco by high rents and low wages. The East Bay is brimming with San Francisco LGBT transplants. So we ask, has Willie Brown truly been good for the LGBT community?

During Brown's tenure as speaker of the Assembly, a bill called Costa-Hawkins flew through the Legislature. This law prohibits localities from enacting most forms of vacancy control, which keeps rents low, and exempts single-family homes from rent control. Rents have continued to sky-rocket and when queer youth come to San Francisco seeking a haven, the most they will be able to find is perhaps a homeless shelter in the winter. How good is Brown for the LGBT community?

During Brown's administration, the LGBT community has experienced the worst eviction crisis ever. For several years, he did little or nothing. In fact, the

next page ►

A SPIRITUAL SUPPORT GROUP FOR ALL TRADITIONS



Gay Men's Jungian Shamanic Group Forming

This weekly long-term group stresses a nature-based approach to psychological and spiritual healing. Traditional healing processes include dream work, otherworld journeying, drumming, myth and ritual. Join others in an ongoing process to facilitate the connectedness between self, community and nature. (University credit available).

Rodney Karr, Ph.D.

Licensed Psychologist #PSY6906

415-931-1934

Sensible Legal Advice

Barry Schneider, Esq.

Wills and Probate

Family Law and Conservatorships

Criminal Offenses

Barry Schneider

Attorney at Law

(415)781-6500

400 Montgomery St.

Suite 505

San Francisco

ALL COMMERCIAL LINES • HOMEOWNERS & APARTMENTS

Schmidt & Schmidt INSURANCE

Since 1970 • We do it all!

200 Pine Street, 8th Floor

San Francisco, CA 94104

(415) 981-3915

Fax (415) 392-2069

Palm Springs • (760) 479-5558

Los Angeles • (213) 669-1608

California Toll Free (800) 479-5558

Broker Lic. # FB0399067

EARTHQUAKE • CRIME • ESTATE PLANNING • TRAVEL

Law Offices of CALLAWAY & WOLF

- Personal Injury
- Medical Malpractice
- Discrimination
- Wrongful Eviction
- Wills & Estate Planning

FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION

Boone Callaway

Carl Wolf

785 Market Street, Suite 1150

415.541.0300

Electrolysis

Permanent Medically-Approved Hair Removal for the Discerning Male:

Feel confident that your body and personal areas are clear, clean and smooth!

✦ Sterile, disposable surgical gold probes

✦ Safe, comfortable and effective

✦ Complimentary consultation



Randall Stephens, R.E.
415-282-1997

Endorsed by the American Electrology Association
California State Licensed Registered Electrologist • 19 Years Experience
Instructor of Electrology (Calif. state licensed) • Certified in Advanced Body Technique

-By Appointment Only -

Located in the heart of the Castro

...ALL YOUR SKIN NEEDS...

Gaetano Zanelli, M.D.
Diplomate, American Board of Dermatology
Fellow, American Society for Dermatologic Surgery

Medical, Surgical & Cosmetic Dermatology

Davies Medical Center
45 Castro Street, Suite 215
San Francisco, CA 94114
(415) 487-1846
<http://itsa.ucsf.edu/~zanelli>

Skin Cancer Diagnosis and Surgery,
Collagen, Botox, Microdermabrasion,
Laser Treatments, Tumescence Liposuction,
Soft Form Implantation, Peels & Skin Care

Announcing a new technique for the treatment of facial
wasting associated with HIV disease.

SP **Soft Form Facial Implants**
Advanced Medical Skincare
Collagen, Botox and more.

Call for your consultation
490 Post Street, Suite 542 at Union Square
San Francisco, CA 94102.

Fon . 415.576.1330 Fax . 415.576.1304
now open saturday
visa • mastercard • american express

SYSTEMEPELAGE
A MEDICAL DAY SPA

ROBERT JOHN DERN
Certified Public Accountant

Tax and Accounting Services
Quickbooks™ Assistance

CORPORATIONS, PARTNERSHIPS, INDIVIDUALS

870 Market St., Suite #1246, San Francisco
415.982.1211

SALE • SALE • SALE
3rd Annual Summer Sale

Color, Color, Color
Summer Plants
Rainbow Line
Unusual surprises

Non Sale Items
20% Off
with this ad

Distributors of: Sun Systems Lighting Supplies

PLANT ONE ON ME
551-1619 • 284 SANCHEZ ST. 

Full Design & Plant Maintenance Service Available
www.citysearch.com/sfo/plantoneonme

TRUST
Service
SKILL

PART OF THE GAY COMMUNITY SINCE 1978

875 Folsom @ 5th (415) 777-9858

CA
COWDEN AUTOMOTIVE
Foreign Car Repair

Mailstrom

◀ previous page

Ellis Act, the new tool for landlords to evict, passed while Brown was in the Legislature. How many of our friends and lovers have been evicted in the last few years? How good is Brown for the LGBT community?

Political consultants know that Brown is very unpopular in the LGBT community. They will spend hundreds of thousands of dollars courting your vote. The problem is that the LGBT vote is pretty sophisticated. We have seen through the smoke and mirrors.

Seth Ubogy, Hasan Shafiqullah, Bitu Shooshani
Winchester, Jerry Threet, Lani Ka'ahumanu, Tommi
Avicoll Mecca, Robert Haaland, Kirk Read

TGs support the mayor

In 1997 I became the first openly transgender woman to become an officer of the city. After becoming commissioner, I invited the mayor to attend Shanti's award ceremony, and show his support of me, and the community that I represent.

This year, the mayor confirmed his resolve to include transgendered citizens in city government, by appointing Jane Bolig to the newly formed taxicab commission. It would have been just as easy to bypass two members of a small, little understood minority; ignored by past mayors. Few would have noticed, or even cared. Why did he do it?

We believe that our mayor has a genuine commitment to diversity in government. When he says that every citizen should have an equal opportunity to serve based upon ability, it isn't just talk. It is a heartfelt commitment. This is the most diverse administration in the history of San Francisco, and we are proud and honored to be a part of it.

On November 2, we urge everyone who believes in equal opportunity to re-elect Mayor Willie Lewis Brown Jr.

Veronika Cauley, Commissioner of Veterans Affairs
Jane Bolig, Taxicab Commissioner
San Francisco

Little love, plenty of violence

This is a response to Bob Roehr's article on the Religious Liberty Protection Act [July 22] as well as two letters in Mailstrom in the July 22 issue of the B.A.R. The Religious Liberty Protection Act is a thinly veiled attempt to give "special rights" to Christians (a chosen life style). The First Amendment has served us well in respecting the free exercise of religion. However, the Christians keep trying to find any way they can to continue to deny basic rights to people of whom they do not approve.

It is interesting that in the same issue Arthur Evans wonders where Dignity is with the Vatican's recent silencing of yet another priest and nun. And Krandall Kraus's letter asking the question "Can anyone explain how a religion of love and mercy produces so much violence and hate?"

Anyone who carefully reads the Bible or studies the history of Christianity will discover that there is little love and mercy but plenty of violence. Any great strides in American human rights have most often been accomplished by heretics and infidels with mainstream Christianity objecting. When the church is finally embarrassed into agreement, it then assures the public that Christianity was always in the forefront.

Dick Hewetson
San Francisco

'Silent HIV'?

I applaud the B.A.R. for the coverage it gave to the dissident forum recently held at U.C. Berkeley (July 22). Reporter Liz Highleyman failed to report two very interesting observations made by a nurse from San Francisco General Hospital. During the question and answer period, she made the comment that the majority of the patients she now cares for on the AIDS ward are not there because of AIDS but due to the complications and toxicity of the meds they have been taking. She also stated that, over the years, she has witnessed many patients with full-blown AIDS conditions who did not test positive for HIV. When she asked her superior what was his explanation for this phenomenon, he replied, "It's probably due to silent HIV." To which Christine Maggiore wittily commented, "Well maybe they'd better start developing a vaccine for silent HIV also."

Dr. David Raskin stated that if AIDS was a government conspiracy then it was a dud. I'd like to say that it depends on how one views it. True, AIDS has failed to wipe out the entire gay population. Nevertheless, it has killed and maimed thousands whether it be by a virus or the treatments. It sent hundreds of folks running back to their closets. Gave license to gay bashers. Undermined the freedom and social structure that was once unique in the communities of San Francisco and New York. This city is not the gay capital anymore and a shadow of its former self. It created billions of dollars for pharmaceutical companies,

scientists, doctors, AIDS organizations, etc. If Dr. Charles Gesheker is to be believed, then Africa is about to be eradicated of its indigenous races by the introduction of the toxic medications and guinea pig-style vaccination programs. Isn't this what the perpetrators would have dreamt of? In parts of Africa, it is well known that after the World Health Organization's mass inoculation program, in the 1970s, the people started to get sick and die at an accelerated rate. Whether this was due to the onslaught to their already impoverished being or because of contaminated vaccines, I doubt we'll ever know.

One last thing ... shame on the gay community for being so complacent in allowing Healing Alternatives' buyers club to go bankrupt and close.

Chris Phillips
San Francisco

Supernova orgasms

In response to Dr. Hans Schlaghecke's letter [July 29] regarding fisting, safe sex, and the general intelligence of gay men in San Francisco. I gotta hand it to you doc, your advice about the dangerous and insane practice of fisting has changed my life.

Before your wise, well-researched and unbiased letter enlightened me, I believed that fisting was an almost sacred act of union and trust. I believed that anyone who would partake of such tricky body gymnastics would know how to train and treat their bodies with love and respect.

I once held the belief that conscientious players with half a brain would file their nails down so smoothly they could pass their hand through a silk stocking without catching.

It was my belief that the colon and lower intestine are gently and thoroughly douched to eliminate any "irritants" or "abrasives" (to put it delicately).

I must have been in gross errors when I assumed that people playing this sort of game would be incredibly in tune with each other's bodies. Moving together like a well-greased engine; pistons churning out new energy. Lovers and friends letting their bodies tattoo a rhythm that lulls their movements into an ecstatic dance. Souls connecting, Chakras ablaze, and plenty of groaning, grunting, sucking, stretching, throbbing, blow-off-the-top-of-your-head-set-your-soul-to-supernova orgasms, but I digress.

Your well-thought, and compassionate plea to the hearts, mind, and buttocks of San Franciscan men was so genuine and caring I could just ...

Oh fuck it, who am I kidding? My sarcasm ain't that subtle, and I've lost my patience with overbearing, conservative, butt-wipes like yourself Dr. Schmuck. So you come to SF, hang with a bunch of twerkers who care more about getting their fix than themselves or each other. This is your basis for determine that all handballers are dangerous, irresponsible, twerkers? Guess what doc, addicts are addicts no matter what they do with their butts.

James Danforth
San Francisco

Giant 'Gigi' gaffe

Much as I enjoy Roberto Friedman's weekly column "Out There," in the July 29 issue of the B.A.R. he made a tremendous gaffe in stating that Audrey Hepburn "made cinematic history as Gigi." In point of fact, Audrey Hepburn did not appear anywhere in Gigi and it was the equally gamine-like Leslie Caron who played the title role, alongside Louis Jourdan, Maurice Chevalier, and Hermione Gingold. Gigi received nine Academy Awards, including best picture and had a memorable score by Lerner and Loew. Perhaps Roberto is confusing Gigi with Hepburn's greatest role as Eliza Doolittle in My Fair Lady, in which the lovely Audrey did make cinematic history, if only by usurping a role that rightfully belonged to Julie Andrews, who had played the part on Broadway and was possessed of a magnificent singing voice. Audrey lip-synched her way through all those lovely songs whilst the real singing was done by Marni Nixon (who dubbed for several non-singing stars in film musicals, most notably Deborah Kerr in The King and I and Mitzi Gaynor in South Pacific). If it's any consolation, Roberto, Lerner and Loew also wrote the score for My Fair Lady. I can't imagine how you got so muddled with two very distinctly different female actresses; the only thing in common between Leslie Caron and Audrey Hepburn (and Twiggy) were their figures; in all fairness to Roberto, there is a vague facial and hairdo resemblance between the cover painting of Leslie Caron on the record album Gigi and the way Audrey Hepburn looked all dolled up as Holly Golightly in Breakfast at Tiffany's. Gee, Roberto, what can you say about a fag who doesn't know his Divas?

John S. Connolly III
San Francisco

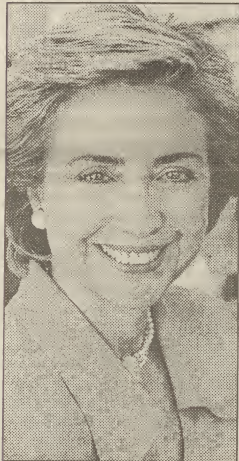
[The arts editor replies: Um, you can say he has a life?]

Letters to the editor can be sent to: Bay Area
Reporter, Editor, 395 9th St., SF, CA 94103

Bill and Hillary; Hillary and Bill

by Wayne Friday

Here we go again. Just when we had reason to hope that the national soap opera that President **Bill Clinton** caused by sneaking the First In-tern into the Oval Office for oral sex (or, wait, maybe it wasn't sex, it depends what Big Bill's definition of the word "is" is this week) was a thing of the past, along comes first lady **Hillary Rodham Clinton** blabbing it all to *Talk* magazine in which she "explains" the president's well-known infidelity by claiming that it was his childhood trauma that really caused her over-sexed husband to become such an embarrassing philanderer. Yup, Hillary now says the conflict that Bill witnessed between his mother and grandmother as a child is the true explanation of his years of admitted adultery. Not the result of some "vast right wing conspiracy,"



Hillary Rodham Clinton

not even a hint of what seems to be Bill's lifelong tendency to be a sex-hungry, womanizing, good'ole Southern boy, nope, indeed, it's all grandma's fault. Never mind that both grandma and mom have both passed away and can't respond.

Instead of drawing sympathy from a country that is sick of this sleazy act, something that Hillary apparently thought would happen, and might, coincidentally help her in the New York Senate race, Mrs. Clinton's analysis now is that Bill was damaged goods when she married him because he was caught between warring women. Hillary explains that his mom and grandma fought over him so often that he, quite naturally, developed a tendency to flirt as a coping mechanism, or something like that. Is this latest chapter from the apparently endless saga of the "Troubled Lives of Hill and Bill" bringing sympathy, or even a bit of understanding? Not on your life. Indeed, Hillary's latest explanation is bringing howls from columnists and television commentators alike. Hillary, get a clue, take a bit of advice from someone like former Clinton press secretary **Dee Dee Myers** — quit

talking about it, run for the Senate, leave the guy, or whatever.

Please Hillary, no more interviews in which you try to analyze your partner. And above all, let grandma rest in peace.

Politics and people

Governor **Gray Davis** and his defeated GOP opponent **Dan Lundgren** spent a record \$52.5 million in last year's gubernatorial race, far outspending the previous record of \$31.8 million set by **Pete Wilson** and **Kathleen Brown** in 1994.

Don't expect it to happen, but the best thing for the city is that someone actually buys the *Examiner* and keeps this a two paper town.

Determined to see that Hillary Clinton does-

n't win that Senate seat, New York Governor **George Pataki** and former Senator **Al D'Amato**, never friends of New York City Mayor **Rudy Giuliani**, have apparently put their party first and endorsed him in next year's U.S. Senate contest and that's not good news for Hillary.

San Francisco Board of Education President **Juanita Owens**, the only Northern Californian among those 11 elected gay and lesbian leaders who met for 90 minutes with President Clinton at the White House recently, is expected to be a candidate for supervisor in the 5th District next year.

With **George W. Bush** continuing to avoid answering those lingering questions about cocaine use in his younger days (and the press continuing to let him blow the questions off) and with him deftly answering only the questions he likes, I am beginning to think he is quickly becoming the Republican version of Bill Clinton, or put another way, is this country ready for yet another slick president?

Meanwhile in D.C., those who supposedly know things are predicting that as GOP conservatives continue to jump ship, believing the fix is already in for Bush at the Republican convention before the first vote is cast, are saying that **Pat Buchanan** will soon leave the GOP and officially seek the Reform Party's presidential nod.

Some 15,000 Iowans will take part in a straw poll vote in Ames this Saturday in what could become a first shake-out of the numerous GOP candidates for president.

An initiative that would offer California voters the option of casting votes for **None of the Above** has qualified for the March 7, 2000 ballot.

In Marin, former boxing champ **Paul Nave**, who was convicted for cocaine sales in 1990 and spent three years in San Quentin, has filed as a Democratic candidate to replace Assemblywoman **Kerry Mazzoni** (D), who will leave office because of term limits; other Democrats in the March 2000 primary include San Rafael City Councilwoman **Barbara Heller** and College of Marin board President **Greg Brockbank**.

Openly gay singer **Boy George**, shooting off his mouth



Boy George

at a London TV rehearsal, according to *People* magazine, asked those in attendance if they like **Ricky Martin**, "I do, too, and we've got more in common than you'll ever know." Say what, Boy?

Actor **Tom Arnold**, appearing last week on *The Late Show with David Letterman*, told Letterman that when his three-year marriage to **Julie Champnella** ended, he drowned his sorrows by going with his gay brother **Chris** to a Los Angeles gay bar, where "a lot of guys gave me their phone numbers, which made me feel good... you don't get that from women." Arnold also managed to mention that it "was Ricky Martin night at the bar so the guys were having a great time."

On the recommendation of U.S. Senator **Barbara Boxer** (D-California), the Clinton administration formally nominated **Robert Mueller III**, a Republican, as Northern California's U.S. attorney last week. Mueller has held the post on an interim basis for the past year.

Attorney **Steve Castleman** has hired political consultants **Robert Barnes** and **Jim Rivaldo** to work on his campaign for district attorney. **Frank Jordan** has hired **Ed Slevin** to run his campaign for mayor. Jordan also has political insider **Neil Eisenberg** and financier **Dick Goldman** on board. Mayor **Willie Brown** has **Jack Davis**, the best in the business, advising his re-election effort.

Oakland's Assemblywoman **Audie Bock** (Green Party) shouldn't think for a minute that the Democratic Party intends to let her get re-elected next year. Dems want that seat back badly and they will likely have the guns out for her, big time. Look for that one to go back to the Democrats, but hopefully, not with former Oakland Mayor **Elihu Harris** again wanting the seat.

And how was your week? ▼

It's time For a New D.A.!



MIKE SCHAEFER



Single? Personal Introductions for Lesbians & Gay Men

If you've completed your education and are on-track with your career, your thoughts may move to companionship, romance and love. You aren't alone. At Quality Partners we work with attractive and successful lesbians and gay men who lead healthy and happy lives that they hope to share with someone special.

Mo-nog-a-my (mo nog am me) state of being romantically and passionately involved with one person

Quality Partners

For Selective Gay Men and Lesbians Seeking Long-Term Committed Relationships

San Francisco

415.442.4848

East Bay

925.253.4848

San Jose

408.294.4848

www.qualitypartners.com

E-mail: qupdate@best.com

When you're done waiting for chance encounters...

TAX PROBLEMS?

THOMAS R. BURNS
ATTORNEY AT LAW

- Levies/Garnishments Released
- Offers in Compromise • Bankruptcy
- Return Preparation - All years

FREE CONSULTATION

www.tburnslaw.com • (415) 543-9900

703 Market St., #1109 San Francisco CA 94103

Get the finest antiques at Dealer prices...

Grand Central Auction

1433 Yosemite Street
San Francisco, CA 94124

Next Auction:
To be announced



Our buyers are returning to France, Belgium, and Holland looking for antiques that you won't find anywhere else... Art Nouveau chandeliers, beautiful French settees, walnut Queen Anne footstools, leaded glass Art Deco doors, as well as dining room suites, bedroom suites, desks, bookcases, and more. Get a sneak preview of the quality antiques to be auctioned in our next sale by visiting either of our retail locations or our web site after September 1st.

Grand Central Station Antiques

www.GCAuction.com

1632 A Market Street
(415) 252-8155

595 Castro Street
(415) 863-3604

HERTH REAL ESTATE



PROUDLY SERVING OUR COMMUNITY SINCE 1965

555 CASTRO ST.

WWW.HERTH.COM

861-5200



Complete CHIROPRACTIC Health Care

Dr. William B. Gersten, D.C.
1540 Market St., Suite 400
at Van Ness MUNI & BART

Sports Injuries • Neck & Back Pain • Headaches
\$35. first visit with this ad
includes exam & treatment 864-7860

INTEGRATED HEALING ARTS

Colon Hydrotherapy

- Comfortable/Professional Environment
- New top-of-the-line equipment
- Castro location with parking

CALL NOW for an appointment or information

415.864.2525

PWA Discount



BENNY T. MANALANG, JR. Certified Public Accountant Master of Science in Taxation

Tax Planning & Preparation
Accounting Services

Over 15 years experience

944 Market Street, Suite 827
San Francisco, CA 94102
Telephone & Fax 415.788.1707

PSYCHOTHERAPY



An opportunity for you to

- explore and heal
- try things differently
- promote healthy change

Ralph Notor, MFT 415-995-9502

Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist SF Financial District
www.gay.com advice columnist

MARK BRAND ARCHITECTURE

- personalized service
- cost management
- residential and commercial
- new and remodeling
- adept at planning code issues

351 NINTH ST SF 415 626 9285
EMAIL: MBARCHROCK@AOL.COM
CALIFORNIA LICENSED ARCHITECT #C15145



Miss Millie's A PLACE TO CALL HOME

Your
Place
in Noe Valley

4123 24th Street @ Castro
285-5598

Dinner
Tuesday - Sunday

Weekend Brunch

Vegetarian Friendly

CBS negotiating for Ellen's return to TV

by Jerry Weinstein,
GLAAD publications
manager

After a yearlong absence from the small screen, Emmy-winning comedian Ellen DeGeneres is considering a return to network television. DeGeneres, who recently starred in the films *EdTV* and *The Love Letter*, has been negotiating with CBS to star in a new comedy series which would focus on the on-and-off-camera life of a TV variety show host. The series, according to CBS Television President and CEO Leslie Moonves, is intended for the 2000-01 season. The sexual orientation of DeGeneres's character on the new show has not been discussed, but CBS told the Television Critics Association that it wouldn't matter to them if she were lesbian or not.

Please thank Leslie Moonves and CBS for developing a project for DeGeneres to bring her back to TV.

Contact Mr. Leslie Moonves, President and Chief Executive Officer, CBS Television, 7800 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90036-2188.

When spouses come out

In his excellent July 15 feature, *Orange County Register* staff writer Andre Mouchard takes an in-depth look at the social forces that push lesbians and gay men into heterosexual marriages – and the toll taken on their spouses when they must finally come out. Mouchard's examination of the recently-created Straight Spouse Awareness Month (coinciding with June's Pride Month) touches on several important, often overlooked issues, including the immense pressure on lesbians and gay men to construct false, heterosexual lives; the emotional damage wrought upon their straight spouses; and the social isolation of divorced spouses who must live in a world that does not want to acknowledge their pain. "To a lot of people in the straight world, this is still one of the last taboos, a threat," says Amity Pierce Buxton, the quoted author of the 1991 book *The Other Side of the Closet: The Coming Out Crisis for Straight Spouses and Families*. Buxton adds that the plight of straight ex-spouses of lesbian and gay partners might not even exist but for cultural forces that push individuals to closet their sexual orientation.

Mouchard's insightful, balanced portrayal of the needs of straight spouses points to a larger cultural need for embracing and legitimizing lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) relationships. Once the community is not stigmatized and distanced from the institution of marriage, the pain caused by these unions born of fear might begin to heal.

Please thank the *Orange County Register* for Andre Mouchard's exceptional feature, and encourage them to continue to develop and print stories of this depth and cultural importance.

Contact Mr. Christian Anderson, Publisher, *Orange County*

Register, 625 North Grand Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92701-4347, fax: (714) 565-3681, e-mail: letters@link.freedom.com.

We-Blocker.com update

In late July, GLAAD received several reports from community members and companies (including the New York Lesbian & Gay Center and GayBC.com, an Internet news source) that an Internet filtering software manufacturer called We-Blocker.com had sent them an e-mail notifying them that their websites have been blocked by their software. GLAAD immediately contacted We-Blocker.com Chief Technology Officer Steve Kirby. Kirby apologized and said a "mistake" had occurred, causing many LGBT sites to be filtered. He explained

that sites containing various keywords (in this case "sex") are usually flagged and reviewed manually. Sites including the words "sexual orientation," "homosexual," "bisexual," and others were tagged, but the sites were not manually checked and were accidentally loaded into the database of blocked sites. Kirby assured GLAAD that he would go through the sites and free any site that did not meet We-Blocker's content requirement for filtering.

While admirable in its desire to rectify its mistake, We-Blocker illustrates how imperfect Internet filtering software can be. Through a combination of human and technological error, support resources for LGBT people were censored, leaving isolated community members without access to this virtual lifeline.

Please write We-Blocker and thank them for working to correct this error, and let them know how important the Internet is to our community. If you should receive similar letters from We-Blocker or if other filtering software companies notify you that your site is being blocked, please report them to GLAAD at javier@glad.org.

Contact Mr. Steve Kirby, Chief Technology Officer, We-Blocker.com, 13430 North Scottsdale Road, Suite 202, Scottsdale, AZ 85254, e-mail: info@we-blocker.com.

Hawaiian TG story

In her August 2 *Honolulu Star-Bulletin* column, Diane Yukihiro Chang writes with disarming honesty about a transgender athlete's struggles. Local canoe paddler LiAnne Taft recently filed a lawsuit against the Hawaii Canoe Racing Association for barring her from competing on the women's team because her birth certificate identifies her as male. While she writes that the decision initially made sense to her, Chang seeks out the opinion of a professor at the University of Hawaii, who asked her, "So when does LiAnne 'officially' become female? When she no longer has the male organ? When her hormonal therapy is complete? [Or when] she acts, thinks, feels like, and believes that she is woman? Being called a troublemaker and trying to break into a closed group in power sounds familiar, doesn't

it? Think discrimination against blacks, Asians, women, gays, the handicapped, etc."

Chang has a change of heart, noting that although she'd always fancied herself "a bona fide liberal with nary an ounce of prejudice you're never too old to learn." Taft has announced that she won't take part in the upcoming state championships because she doesn't want to cause problems for her teammates. But, as Chang admirably points out, "LiAnne is not the problem. More likely, it's people like me – who are too quick to label – who have the real problem around here."

Please thank the *Honolulu Star-Bulletin* for offering readers Chang's enlightened and open-minded perspective.

Contact John Flanagan, Editorial Page Editor, *Honolulu Star-Bulletin*, P.O. Box 3080, Honolulu, HI 96802, fax: (808) 523-8509, e-mail: editor@starbulletin.com.

GLAADAlert reminder: Tell Dr. Laura the truth

Please remember to check out GLAAD Online (<http://www.glaad.org>) for details on the "Tell Dr. Laura the Truth" campaign, including a special GLAADAlert, transcripts of Dr. Laura's radio program, a letter from GLAAD Executive Director Joan M. Garry and a list of radio stations carrying Schlessinger's program. On her program Wednesday, August 4, Schlessinger again escalated her attacks: "You want to know about hate speech? Read articles about me. Hate speech! That's why I'm always laughing into my shoes when GLAAD or some other organization has screaming fits because I doesn't believe in other than a man and a woman getting married. They go crazy and call me 'phobic' and 'hateful.' You want to see hateful? Read some of the letters their people send. You should know from hateful. Trust me."

Clearly, Schlessinger continues to misrepresent the letters our community sends her. GLAAD encourages you to continue sending Schlessinger respectful letters illustrating the falseness of her perceptions and the impact of her prejudice on real people. Your letters keep us on higher ground and help us change hearts and minds about Schlessinger's dangerous rhetoric.

Please send your letters to: Dr. Laura Schlessinger, c/o Premiere Radio Networks, 15260 Ventura Boulevard, Suite 500, Sherman Oaks, CA 91403, fax: (818) 461-5140, e-mail: webmaster@drilaura.com.

Please send us a copy of your letter at: Dr. Laura Letters, c/o GLAAD, 8455 Beverly Boulevard, Suite 305, Los Angeles, CA 90048, fax: (323) 658-6776, e-mail: glad@glad.org. ▼

GLAAD promotes fair, accurate, and inclusive representation as a means of challenging discrimination based on sexual orientation or identity. Contact GLAAD by e-mail at glad@glad.org or by phone at (415) 861-2244. Report defamation in the media by calling GLAAD's toll-free AlertLine: 1-800-GAY-MEDIA (1-800-429-6334).

Why out is right

by Dale Carpenter

The most insistent demand of gay politics has long been that we "come out." The word "out" is a gay cliché, present everywhere in the subculture: from the names of magazines and newspapers to the numerous editorial columns that derive their names from some play on the word (like OutRight). We have a National Coming Out Day every year. Nearly all our visible public leaders emphasize coming out as critical to the achievement of full civil rights for gay women and men. Are they right?

The answer starts with a recognition of the enemy. Generally speaking, two kinds of people oppose civil rights for, and social acceptance of, gays. First, there are those who do so out of some deep, sincerely held, usually religious impulse or principle. I am not sure what can be done about these people. It is hard to reason with faith. Fortunately, these True Believers are few in number and have never been able to stand in the way of an idea, like the abolition of slavery, whose time has come.

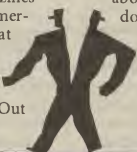
The second group, by its sheer numbers, presents a more serious obstacle. These are the people who don't personally know anyone gay, or think they don't, and who don't think much about gays unless the subject is AIDS or outlandish costumes and behavior at the last gay pride parade. Let's call them the Truly Uninformed.

The Truly Uninformed grow up accepting the usual judgments about us — we're dirty, unnatural, immoral — and never have much reason to question those judgments. They don't see us as doctors, lawyers, entrepreneurs, taxpayers, sisters, brothers, mothers, or fathers. Hard as it is for veterans of the gay civil rights movement to believe, the Truly Uninformed still comprise a large majority of Americans living between the Oakland hills and the Hudson River.

The True Believers spew the propaganda and venomous lies about us; they draft the anti-gay-rights initiatives. The Truly Uninformed just vote for them. The Truly Uninformed don't usually gay-bash; they're just not very outraged when they hear about it.

In surveys, people who say they don't know a gay person overwhelmingly oppose equal civil rights for gays. (Of course, almost every person knows a gay person but they don't realize it.) Those who say they do know a gay person tend to support our civil rights, including gay marriage, the adoption of children by gay couples, and an end to the ban on gays in the military. It's easy to understand this gap in support: by nature, people distrust and fear the things they don't understand. "Gays" as an abstracted collection of sex-crazed perverts can be reviled; a gay family member, friend, or co-worker can be understood or even loved.

Thus, we must expand the group of Americans who personally know a gay person. That's where coming out comes in. Every time you come out to another person you contribute to the movement for our civil rights. As an out gay person, you march on prejudice with your every step, your every word, your every deed.



OutRight

The person to whom you come out must incorporate her knowledge of you into her definition of what it means to be "gay." Some part of that definition will change forever, even if only subtly, and a greater understanding of us will result. Also, you'll likely feel better about yourself for having done it. At the very least, you'll no longer have to carry out the daily acts of deception we are so often obliged to perform. Like it or not, the world presumes you're straight until you prove otherwise. So if you're not out as a gay person, you're out as a straight person. You're passively complicit in the big lie that we're a bunch of misfits. The details of our private lives are nobody's business, but in a world where some people make it their business to hate us we have to let them know where we stand. Unlike any other disfavored group, we must prove we exist before we prove we deserve common decency.

I am not saying we must be out to everyone at all times and under all circumstances. The particular timing and manner of coming out to others calls for individual judgments each of us must make. For example, it's probably not a good idea to dance into a group of neo-Nazis and proclaim your sexuality. In some cases, if you come out to an employer, you could lose your job.

But we usually exaggerate the consequences of coming out to others, conjuring improbable nightmares of rejection and humiliation. We should rebut the pervasive and ultimately damaging presumption that we're straight. And in those isolated cases where we keep lying about who we are, we should have very good reasons to do so.

I don't say the sky will open up and the glorious light of God will radiate evermore upon your angelic face if you come out. I don't say that bigots will wilt before your very eyes.

I do say there will be no equal-

page 26 ►

A Great Smile Leaves a Lasting Impression



Victor Barcellona, DDS

Cosmetic Dentistry

Teeth Whitening, Porcelain Veneers

Preventative Dentistry

Professional Cleanings, Comprehensive Exams

Restorative Dentistry

Simple to Full Mouth Reconstruction

Gentle, Caring Staff

Located Off Union Square

450 Sutter Street, Suite 1229
San Francisco (415) 982-2250
Member, American College of Prosthodontists
Most Credit Cards and Insurance Accepted

Dr. Christopher Amore CHIROPRACTOR

CERTIFIED CHIROPRACTIC SPORTS PRACTITIONER

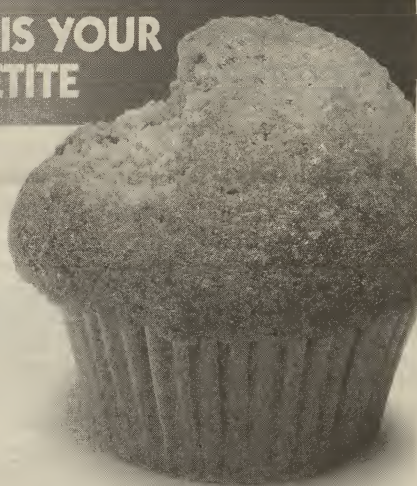
- Neck and Back Pain •
- Auto Injuries • Whiplash •
- Sports Injuries • Work Injuries •
- Massage therapy available

4411 Geary Blvd., Suite 100, S.F.
751-BACK 751-2225

• Open until 7 p.m. • Open Saturday •

In HIV/AIDS

THIS IS YOUR APPETITE



MARINOL® stimulates appetite

Maintaining a healthy appetite helps you get the nutrients you need to stay healthy. If you start to lose appetite, and weight, it can be a sign that your overall condition is deteriorating. In clinical trials of AIDS patients, MARINOL®:

- Has shown sustained long-term improvement in appetite^{1,2}
- May help decrease nausea^{1,2}

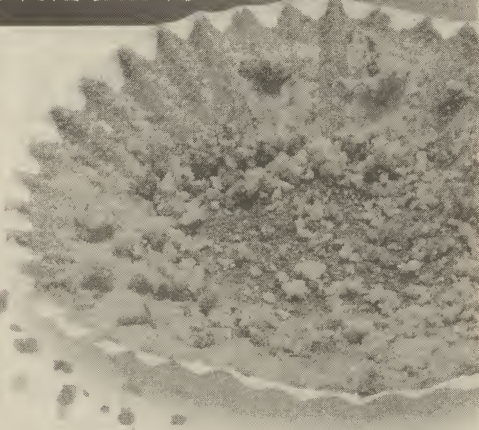
MARINOL® is also reimbursable under many health insurance plans.

If appetite loss associated with weight loss has you missing meals, ask your doctor if MARINOL® is right for you.

MARINOL® can cause side effects in some patients including dizziness, confusion, sleepiness, paranoid reactions, or a feeling of being "high" (easy laughing, elation, and heightened awareness). Many of these reactions disappear within 1 to 3 days of continuous dosage or can be eliminated by lowering the dose.

You should not drive, operate machinery, or engage in any hazardous activity until it is established that you are able to tolerate MARINOL® and perform such tasks safely.

THIS IS YOUR APPETITE ON MARINOL®



MARINOL®
(dronabinol)
capsules 2.5 mg

Rediscover the Joy of Eating

Visit us @ www.Marinol.com

*The USAN name for delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol (THC).
MARINOL is a registered trademark of Unimed Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Please see Brief Summary of Full Prescribing Information on adjacent page.
© 1999 Roxane Laboratories, Inc. RX-2281A (3/99)

UNIMED
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Roxane Laboratories

Power tools and other hot items

by Jane Warner
and Ron McGlashan

Saturday, August 7, 9:30 a.m., 100 block of Cumberland Street: A resident of the 100 block of Cumberland Street reported that her garage had been broken into over the weekend. When she entered her garage she noticed that several items were missing including a collection of power tools valued at about \$850, a black and white Diamondback woman's 12-speed bicycle, and an expensive Calvin Klein blouse which cost her \$225. The suspect is unknown but apparently had climbed over the fence in the back yard and gained entry to the garage through an unlocked door. The Patrol alerts residents of the area to this activity.

Purse snatcher on Dolores Street

Friday, August 6, 9:45 p.m., 169 Dolores Street: As two women

were attempting to get into their car, parked behind the S&C Ford building on Dolores Street, a man came out of the shadows and grabbed the shoulder strap of the purse that one of the women was carrying. The woman began to struggle with her assailant, but the suspect yanked the purse, breaking the shoulder strap, and ran northbound on Dolores Street with the purse in tow. One of the women ran after the man and chased him to the corner of 16th and Guerrero streets, but she lost him in the area.

The suspect is described as a Hispanic male, around 20 years old, 5 feet 7 inches tall, 140 pounds, with sandy-colored hair, a blue baseball cap, a tan jacket, and dark pants. The stolen items include the purse, \$90 cash, house and car keys, and both women's

identification cards.

Pregnant toilet paper Expansion

Ongoing, Expansion bar, 2124 Market Street: One of the bartenders of the Expansion bar reports an ongoing problem with a thieving husband and wife team who come into the bar, usually during peak hours. The bartender reports that the woman, who simulates being pregnant by stuffing a pillow under her shirt, comes into the bar with the male suspect and while he aggressively solicits money from patrons, saying "It's to help me and my poor pregnant wife," she goes to the restrooms at the back of the bar and steals all the toilet paper by sticking it under her shirt. The suspects are both described as African American adults in their 40s.



Crime & Punishment

Rough trade on Polk Street? Oh, really!

Tuesday, August 10, 10:30 p.m., Polk and Post streets: A male prostitute who, according to officers of Northern Station, works the Polk District approached three men who were standing on the corner of Polk and Post streets. The suspect confronted the trio and pulled a knife from his back and brandished it, forcing the men into a nearby alley. The suspect waved the knife in their faces, shouting obscenities at them, and finally lunged at one of the victims. He then turned and ran away and headed southbound on Polk Street. The victims called the police and when they arrived, officers conducted an area search and apprehended the suspect. The suspect, known in the area by the name "Robby," was arrested on charges of brandishing a weapon, terrorist threats, and assault with a deadly weapon. He is currently being held at the San Francisco County Jail.

Sex workers and their clients arrested

Officers of Northern Station report that over the past week, a total of 232 women and men have been arrested on prostitution charges. Most of the arrests were made in the Polk District, especially around Polk and Sutter streets. According to the SFPD, this unusually high number of arrests is due to the demands for a crackdown on prostitutes and their clients by merchants and residents in the area. The police claim that the crackdown has prevented prostitution activities from spreading outside the Polk District and into other areas.

Correction

An item in the July 22 column concerning the Giraffe bar on Polk Street stated that a fight occurred inside the bar. According to V. Ann Dolyniuk, who was inside the bar at the time, the brawl took place outside the Giraffe and a patron who went outside to break up the fight was injured. ▼

Advertisements do not include all the information about a prescription medication. Only your physician is qualified to decide if a prescription medication is right for you.

ROXANE LABORATORIES, INC.
MARINOL®
(dronabinol)
Capsules

Brief Summary on Marinol® (dronabinol) Capsules.
Before prescribing, see complete prescribing information.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Marinol (dronabinol) is indicated for the treatment of:

1. anorexia associated with weight loss in patients with AIDS; and
2. nausea and vomiting associated with cancer chemotherapy in patients who have failed to respond adequately to conventional antiemetic treatments.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Marinol (dronabinol) is contraindicated in any patient who has a history of hypersensitivity to any cannabinoid or sesame oil.

WARNINGS

Marinol (dronabinol) is a medication with a potential for abuse. Physicians and pharmacists should use the same care in prescribing and accounting for Marinol as they would with morphine or other drugs controlled under Schedule II (CII) of the Controlled Substances Act. Because of the risk of diversion, it is recommended that prescriptions be limited to the amount necessary for the period between clinic visits.

Patients receiving treatment with Marinol should be specifically warned not to drive, operate machinery, or engage in any hazardous activity until it is established that they are able to tolerate the drug and to perform such tasks safely.

PRECAUTIONS

General: The risk/benefit ratio of Marinol (dronabinol) should be carefully evaluated in patients with the following medical conditions because of individual variation in response and tolerance to the effects of Marinol. Marinol should be used with caution in patients with cardiac disorders because of occasional hypotension, possible hypertension, syncope, or tachycardia (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY).

Marinol should be used with caution in patients with a history of substance abuse, including alcohol abuse or dependence, because they may be more prone to abuse Marinol as well. Multiple substance abuse is common and marijuana, which contains the same active compound, is a frequently abused substance.

Marinol should be used with caution and careful psychiatric monitoring in patients with mania, depression, or schizophrenia because Marinol may exacerbate these illnesses. Marinol should be used with caution in patients receiving concomitant therapy with sedatives, hypnotics or other psychoactive drugs because of the potential for additive or synergistic CNS effects.

Marinol should be used with caution in pregnant patients, nursing mothers, or pediatric patients because it has not been studied in these patient populations.

Marinol should be used with caution for treatment of anorexia and weight loss in elderly patients with AIDS because they may be more sensitive to the psychoactive effects and because its use in these patients has not been studied.

Information for Patients: Patients receiving treatment with Marinol (dronabinol) should be alerted to the potential for additive central nervous system depression if Marinol is used concomitantly with alcohol or other CNS depressants such as benzodiazepines and barbiturates.

Patients receiving treatment with Marinol should be specifically warned not to drive, operate machinery, or engage in any hazardous activity until it is established that they are able to tolerate the drug and to perform such tasks safely.

Patients using Marinol should be advised of possible changes in mood and other adverse behavioral effects of the drug so as to avoid panic in the event of such manifestations. Patients should remain under the supervision of a responsible adult during initial use of Marinol and following dosage adjustments.

Drug Interactions: In studies involving patients with AIDS and/or cancer, Marinol (dronabinol) has been administered with a variety of medications (e.g., cytotoxic agents, anti-infective agents, sedatives, or opioid analgesics) without resulting in any clinically significant drug/drug interactions. Although no drug/drug interactions were discovered during the clinical trials of Marinol, caution may be warranted when administering Marinol to patients with metabolic and pharmacodynamic mechanisms. Dronabinol is highly protein bound to plasma proteins, and therefore, might displace other protein-bound drugs. Although this displacement has not been confirmed in vivo, practitioners should monitor patients for a change in dosage requirements when administering Marinol to patients receiving other highly protein-bound drugs. Published reports of drug/drug interactions involving cannabinoids are summarized in the following table.

COMBICANT DRUG	CLINICAL EFFECT(S)
Amphetamines, cocaine, other sympathomimetic agents	Additive hypertension, tachycardia, possibly cardiotoxicity
Atropine, scopolamine, anticholinergics, other anticholinergic agents	Additive or super-additive tachycardia, drowsiness
Antihypertensive, anorectic, desipramine, other tricyclic antidepressants	Additive tachycardia, hypertension, drowsiness
Barbiturates, benzodiazepines, ethanol, lithium, opioids, buspirone, anticholinergics, muscle relaxants, other CNS depressants	Additive drowsiness and CNS depression
Doxifluramide	A reversible hypotensive reaction was reported in a 20 lb man who smoked marijuana, confirmed by dechallenge and rechallenge.
Fluoxetine	A 21 y/o female with depression and bulimia receiving 20 mg/day fluoxetine X 4 wks became hypotensive after smoking marijuana; symptoms resolved after 4 days.
Antipyrene, barbiturates	Decreased clearance of these agents, presumably via competitive inhibition of metabolism.
Theophylline	Increased theophylline metabolism reported with smoking of marijuana, effect similar to that following smoking tobacco.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Carcinogenicity studies have not been performed with dronabinol. Mutagenicity testing of dronabinol was negative in an Ames test. In a long-term study (77 days) in rats, oral administration of dronabinol at doses of 30 to 150 mg/kg (equivalent to 0.3 to 1.5 times maximum recommended human dose (MRHD) of 90 mg/kg/day) in cancer patients or 2 to 10 times MRHD of 15 mg/kg/day in AIDS patients, reduced ventral prostate, seminal vesicle and epididymal weights and caused a decrease in seminal fluid volume. Decreases in spermatogenesis, number of developing germ cells, and number of Leydig cells in the testes were also observed. However, sperm count, mating success and testosterone levels were not affected. The significance of these animal findings in humans is not known.

Pregnancy: Pregnancy Category C: Reproduction studies with dronabinol have been performed in mice at 15 to 450 mg/kg, equivalent to 0.2 to 5 times maximum recommended human dose (MRHD) of 90 mg/kg/day in cancer patients or 1 to 30 times MRHD of 15 mg/kg/day in AIDS patients, and in rats at 74 to 295 mg/kg (equivalent to 0.8 to 3.3 times MRHD of 90 mg/kg in cancer patients or 5 to 20 times MRHD of 15 mg/kg in AIDS patients). These studies have revealed evidence of embryotoxicity in both species. At these dosages in mice and rats, dronabinol decreased maternal weight gain and number of viable pups and increased fetal mortality and early resorptions. Such effects were dose dependent and less apparent at lower doses which produced less maternal toxicity. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Dronabinol should be used only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

Nursing Mothers: Use of Marinol is not recommended in nursing mothers since, in addition to the secretion of HIV virus in breast milk, dronabinol is concentrated in and secreted in human breast milk and is absorbed by the nursing baby.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

Adverse experiences information summarized in the tables below was derived from well-controlled clinical trials conducted in the US and US territories involving 474 patients with AIDS (dronabinol). Studies of AIDS-related weight loss included 157 patients receiving dronabinol at a dose of 2.5 mg twice daily and 67 receiving placebo. Studies of different durations were combined by considering the first occurrence of events during the first 28 days. Studies of nausea and vomiting related to cancer chemotherapy included 317 patients receiving dronabinol and 68 receiving placebo.

A cannabinoid dose-related "high" (easy laughing, elation and heightened awareness) has been reported by patients receiving Marinol in both the antiemetic (24%) and the lower dose appetite stimulant clinical trials (8%) (see CLINICAL TRIALS).

The most frequently reported adverse experiences in patients with AIDS during placebo-controlled clinical trials involved the CNS and were reported by 33% of patients receiving Marinol. About 25% of patients reported a minor CNS adverse event during the first 2 weeks and about 4% reported such an event each week for the next 6 weeks thereafter.

PROBABLY CAUSALLY RELATED: Incidence greater than 1%.

Rates derived from clinical trials in AIDS-related anorexia (N=157) and chemotherapy-related nausea (N=317). Rates were generally higher in the anti-emetic use (given in parentheses).

Body as a whole: Achnesia

Cardiovascular: Palpitations, tachycardia, vasodilation/facial flush.
Digestive: Abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting.
Nervous system: (Anxiety), anxiety/nervousness, (paranoia), confusion, depersonalization, dizziness, euphoria, (hallucinations), paranoid reaction, somnolence, thinking abnormal.

* Incidence of events 3% to 10%.

PROBABLY CAUSALLY RELATED: Incidence less than 1%.

Event rates derived from clinical trials in AIDS-related anorexia (N=157) and chemotherapy-related nausea (N=317).

Cardiovascular: (Constrictive), hypotension

Digestive: Diarrhea, fecal incontinence.
Musculoskeletal: Myalgias.
Nervous system: Depression, nightmares, speech difficulties, tinnitus.
Skin and Appendages: Flushing.
Special senses: Vision difficulties.

* Incidence of events 0.3% to 1%.

CAUSAL RELATIONSHIP UNKNOWN: Incidence less than 1%.

The clinical significance of the association of these events with Marinol treatment is unknown, but they are reported as alerting information for the clinician.

Body as a whole: Chills, headache, malaise

Digestive: Anorexia, hepatic enzyme elevation.
Respiratory: Cough, rhinitis, sinusitis.
Skin and Appendages: Sweating.

DRUG ABUSE AND DEPENDENCE

Marinol (dronabinol) is one of the psychoactive compounds present in cannabis, and is abusable and controlled Schedule II (CII) under the Controlled Substances Act. Both psychological and physiological dependence have been noted in healthy individuals receiving dronabinol, but addiction is uncommon and has only been seen after prolonged high-dose administration.

Chronic abuse of cannabis has been associated with decrements in motivation, cognition, judgment, and perception. The etiology of these impairments is unknown, but may be associated with the complex process of addiction rather than an isolate effect of the drug. No such decrements in psychological, social or neurological status have been associated with the administration of Marinol for therapeutic purposes.

In an open-label study in patients with AIDS who received Marinol for up to five months, no abuse, diversion or systematic change in personality or social functioning were observed despite the inclusion of a substantial number of patients with a history of drug abuse.

An abstinence syndrome has been reported after the abrupt discontinuation of dronabinol in volunteers receiving dosages of 210 mg/day for 12 to 15 consecutive days. Within 12 hours after discontinuation, these volunteers manifested symptoms such as irritability, insomnia, and restlessness. By approximately 24 hours post-dronabinol discontinuation, withdrawal symptoms intensified to include "hot flashes," sweating, rhinitis, loose stools, hiccups and anorexia.

These withdrawal symptoms gradually dissipated over the next 48 hours. Electroencephalographic changes consistent with the effects of drug withdrawal (hyperexcitation) were recorded in patients after abrupt discontinuation. Patients also complained of disturbed sleep for several weeks after discontinuing therapy with high dosages of dronabinol.

OVERDOSSAGE

Signs and symptoms following MILD MARINOL (dronabinol) intoxication include drowsiness, euphoria, heightened sensory awareness, altered time perception, reddened conjunctiva, dry mouth and tachycardia; following MODERATE intoxication include memory impairment, depersonalization, dream alteration, urinary retention, and reduced lower motility; and following SEVERE intoxication include decreased motor coordination, lethargy, slurred speech, and postural instability. Apprehensive patients may experience panic reactions and seizures may occur in patients with existing seizure disorders.

The estimated lethal human dose of intravenous dronabinol is 30 mg/kg (2100 mg/70 kg). Significant CNS symptoms in anesthetic studies followed oral doses of 0.4 mg/kg (28 mg/70 kg) of Marinol.

Management: A potentially serious oral ingestion, if recent, should be managed with gut decontamination. In unconscious patients with a secure airway, instill activated charcoal (30 to 100 g in adults, 1 to 2 g/kg in infants) via a nasogastric tube. A saline cathartic or sorbitol may be added to the first dose of activated charcoal. Patients experiencing depressive, hallucinatory or psychotic reactions should be placed in a quiet area and offered reassurance. Benzodiazepines (5 to 10 mg intravenous po) may be used for treatment of extreme agitation. Hypotension usually responds to Trendelenburg position and IV fluids. Pressors are rarely required.

DOSSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

Appetite stimulation: Initially, 2.5 mg Marinol (dronabinol) should be administered orally twice daily (b.i.d.), before lunch and supper. For patients unable to tolerate this 5 mg/day dosage of Marinol, the dosage can be reduced to 2.5 mg/day, administered as a single dose in the evening or at bedtime. If clinically indicated and in the absence of significant adverse effects, the dosage may be gradually increased to a maximum of 20 mg/day Marinol, administered in divided oral doses. Caution should be exercised in escalating the dosage of Marinol because of the increased frequency of dose-related adverse experiences at higher dosages (see PRECAUTIONS).

Antiemetic: Marinol is best administered at an initial dose of 5 mg/m², given 1 to 3 hours prior to the administration of chemotherapy, then every 2 to 4 hours after chemotherapy is given, for a total of 4 to 6 doses/day. Should the 5 mg/m² dose prove to be ineffective, and in the absence of significant side effects, the dose may be escalated by 2.5 mg/m² increments to a maximum of 15 mg/m² per dose. Caution should be exercised in dose escalation, however, as the incidence of disturbing psychiatric symptoms increases significantly at maximum dose (see PRECAUTIONS).

SAFETY AND HANDLING

Marinol (dronabinol) should be packaged in a well-closed container and stored in a cool environment between 8° and 15°C (46° and 59°F). Protect from freezing. No particular hazard to health care workers handling the capsules has been identified.

Access to abusable drugs such as Marinol presents an occupational hazard for addiction in the health care industry. Routine procedures for handling controlled substances developed to protect the public may not be adequate to protect health care workers. Implementation of more effective accounting procedures and measures to appropriately restrict access to drugs of this class may minimize the risk of self-administration by health care providers.

HOW SUPPLIED

MARINOL® CAPSULES (dronabinol) solution in sesame oil in soft gelatin capsules

2.5 mg white capsules (Identified LR)

NDC 0054-2601-11: Bottles of 25 capsules

NDC 0054-2601-21: Bottles of 60 capsules

NDC 0054-2601-25: Bottles of 100 capsules

5 mg dark brown capsules (Identified LR)

NDC 0054-2602-11: Bottles of 25 capsules

NDC 0054-2602-21: Bottles of 60 capsules

NDC 0054-2602-25: Bottles of 100 capsules

10 mg orange capsules (Identified LR)

NDC 0054-2603-11: Bottles of 25 capsules

NDC 0054-2603-21: Bottles of 60 capsules

MARINOL is a registered trademark of Unimed Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and is marketed by Roxane Laboratories, Inc. under license from Unimed Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Manufactured by Banner Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Chatsworth CA 91311

DEA ORDER FORM REQUIRED

Rx only.

405050

Revised June 1998

068

© LR, 1998



References: 1. Beal JE, Olson R, Lefkowitz L, et al. *J Pain Symptom Manage* 1997;14(1):7-14. 2. Beal JE, Olson R, Laubenstein L, et al. *J Pain Symptom Manage* 1995;10(2):89-97.
© 1999 Roxane Laboratories, Inc. RX-2281A (3/99)

This column is brought to you as a public service of the SFPD Office of Public Affairs and the men and women of the SFPD who protect and serve you. For information call the office at (415) 553-1651, or Ron at (415) 776-9399. The San Francisco Patrol Special Police, which exclusively serves the Castro District, can be reached at (415) 679-1827.

Mora slated to start Wed.

by Cynthia Laird

After numerous delays, mainly because there's a shortage of available courtrooms, accused murderer Edgard Mora is scheduled to go on trial this Wednesday, August 18 in San Francisco Superior Court on charges he killed gay city resident Brian Wilmes in March 1998. Mora has pleaded not guilty to a charge of murder and a misdemeanor charge of assault against a witness. The murder charge carries a hate crime enhancement.

District Attorney spokesman Clarence Johnson said that while the case is set to start Monday morning, it actually won't get under way until a courtroom has been assigned. Once that happens, there may be motions to be heard before a jury is impaneled.

The trial was originally scheduled to begin in April but was postponed. It was then scheduled to start last month but was continued due to no available courtrooms and a pre-planned vacation by Mora's defense attorney, Robert Dunlap, Johnson said.

Mora was ordered to stand trial following a preliminary hearing last November where Superior Court Judge Ellen Chaitin ruled there was enough evidence for trial. During the preliminary hearing, Wilmes' friend Timothy Carroll testified that Mora shook Wilmes after throwing a single punch that knocked Wilmes to the ground outside of the Loading

Gay Men's Health Summit highlights overlooked issues

by Julie Boler

Over 300 gay men from many fields arrived in Boulder for the Gay Men's Health Summit over the weekend of July 28-August 1. Besides their luggage and business cards, they brought high hopes for a new movement that would address a variety of issues impacting the lives and well being of gay men.

According to Eric Rofes, longtime activist and author of *Dry Bones Breathe*, HIV/AIDS organizing during the last two decades cannot be considered the sum total of what is needed by gay men to live whole healthy lives.

Varied workshops presented at recent National Gay and Lesbian Health Association conferences eventually led to this year's conference, what Rofes calls "an attempt to break the stranglehold HIV seemed to have on gay men's health organizing."

Based on their comments at the opening plenary session the participants were excited and prepared to put energy into this work. They talked that first evening how for many years now, HIV/AIDS have been synonymous with the idea of gay men's health. Younger participants described never knowing a time when HIV wasn't the main, if not only health concern they could identify as important to them. Participants eagerly described their enthusiasm for developing structures to deal with other growing health concerns, like other STDs, substance use, mental health, and violence.

Older participants related their recognition of the work being done at this summit as reminiscent of a more general gay men's health movement that had been developing in the 1970s and was all but eclipsed by AIDS. They came to talk about homophobia, hate crimes, and police harassment. They came to talk about sexuality and relationships. They came to talk about minority issues, spirituality, hepatitis, suicide, addiction, youth issues, masculinity, and how to navigate the health care system.

Gathering the tribes

The Summit collective valued multi-cultural focus and participation from the beginning of its plans. Toward that end, the summit was preceded by a pre-Summit Institute called Gathering the Nations: Health Challenges Facing Gay Men Of Color, led by David Acosta and Billy S. Williams. A longtime organizer,

Acosta is a Latino man who currently coordinates HIV prevention programs for the Philadelphia health department.

Acosta said the group identified three major concerns related to the health of gay men of color. The first was the need for some type of instrument to measure cultural competency. Acosta pointed out that while many organizations claim to be culturally diverse, institute participants recounted experiences where that hadn't been the case.

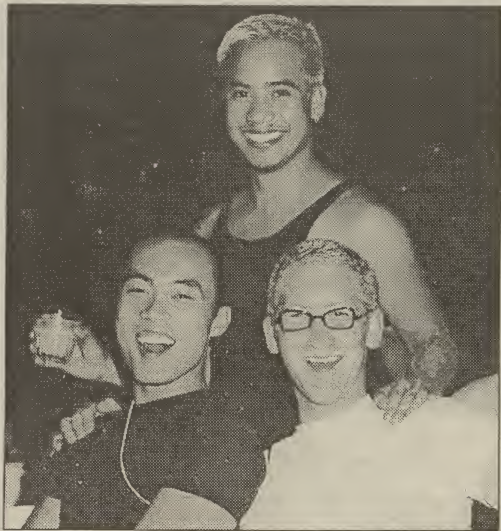
The second concern was the need for public health disease reporting tools to include information about sexual orientation. Currently this type of information is not routinely gathered, so aggregate information about disproportionate health risks other than HIV facing gay men is not available.

Finally, participants identified a need for health issues facing gay men of color to be acknowledged and attended to by national organizations like the NAACP and the National Organization of La Raza. According to Acosta, some collaboration had been attempted sporadically but nothing comprehensive has occurred.

In addition to such collaboration with mainstream national organizations that address race and ethnicity, institute participants want more of a response from predominately white gay organizations. Acosta said of attendance at the pre-Summit institute, "we were very glad to see some of our white brothers in the group," but that the organizations they represent still need to learn how to address the needs of gay men of color.

Torean Einar Walker, an outreach worker from Kansas City, Kansas, said the conference was a success in terms of meeting its goals around race. As an African American gay man, he felt it was sometimes almost impossible to get a "foot in the door with the established power structures. We're gonna need some of these gay white men, who are already in there, to reach back and pull us along. We need our brothers with more access than we have to pave the way for us."

Walker says that this idea was exactly what got him to the Boulder conference: San Francisco writer Michael Scarce was primarily responsible for influencing the director of the Kansas City AIDS Consortium to send Walker and another African American colleague to the conference. Walker praised Scarce for this assistance in the closing plenary, but



Clockwise from left: LeJay C. Jumao-as of Boston's AIDS Action, Wes de Vera, and Eric Hilderbrandt of Seattle's Gay City.

when interviewed, Walker added that he felt it was now up to him to make the most of that, and bring more gay men of color, as well as more Midwestern gay men, into the movement.

Walker said the conference was helpful to him in those efforts because "we are isolated in the Midwest. For us it isn't like it is for these folks in New York and L.A. Coming here gives me that affirmation I need for the work I'm doing. It's food for the soul."

The big picture

The Gay Men's Health Summit focused attention on an impressive range of topics. This range of issues included age-related issues, such as gay youth, mid-life/aging, and the impact of one's generation on his understanding of HIV; anal health, including anal STDs, anorectal cancers, and injuries; the cultures of bodies, sex, and pleasure, which were examined in sessions on the muscle scene, the dance party circuit, barebacking, and recreational drug use; the special needs of rural gay men; mental health and spirituality; HIV; gay prisoners; public sex issues; and the history of gay men's health activism.

Veteran gay activist Ray Hill, who has seen over 20 years of evolution in the efforts of gay men to organize and be healthy and happy, is now working toward a better state governmental response to the epidemic of hepatitis

page 25 ►

What a Difference a smile makes

Dentistry by

Jim P. Const, D.D.S.
email: jconstds@aol.com
415-391-2559

Mark Denzin, L.A.C.

State Licensed Acupuncturist Since 1983

- Allergy Elimination Program
- Work, Auto & Sports Injuries
- Neuropathy, Immune Rebuilding
- Pain, Stress, & Addiction Control

415-252-9040

Combining Chinese Medicine with Western Diagnostics



NOW WITH 2 CONVENIENT LOCATIONS IN SAN FRANCISCO TO SERVE YOU BETTER!

Selecta Auto Body

GGBA



Rated Very High in Customer Satisfaction

Noe Valley

4050 24th Street (near Castro)

282-2665 or 202-6892 pgr.

Marina/Pacific Heights

2340 Lombard (near Pierce)

447-3884

Serving the Gay Community Since 1980 • 10% Off with this Coupon

Looking for a man?

Bay Area Pals

You've tried the BARS.
You've tried the PERSONALS.
You've tried the WEB.

Now try something that really works.

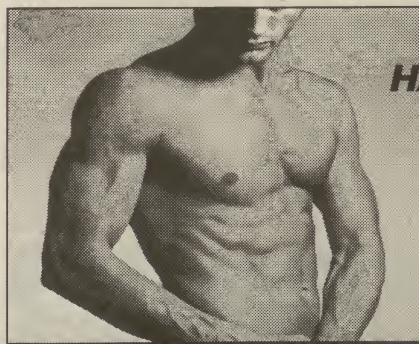
A dating service you can afford.
Sacramento to Santa Cruz

Send for our FREE BROCHURE
Discreetly mailed

Pals

P.O. Box 14105
San Francisco, CA 94114-0105
Tel/Fax: (415) 551-0051
email: BA Pals @ aol.com

www.pd-pals.com



LASER HAIR REMOVAL

Destroy thousands of hair follicles in just 15 minutes with the most effective laser in the world . . .

. . . The Alexandrite, for just \$125 per treatment.

(Not an Epilight or Softlight System!)



CLHR
California Laser Hair Removal

owned

2380 MARKET STREET LOCATED IN PRISMS SALON 415-252-5678

For more information, we can mail you a brochure, set up a consultation for a price quote, or visit us on the world wide web. (www.calaserhairremoval.com)

Is Selling Your Life Insurance The Right Choice?

Let us help you find out...

We convert life insurance into cash for seniors and people with limited life expectancies.

Ethical • Experienced
Compassionate • Confidential

And a leader in the Field of Viatical Settlements

800.905.0114

www.FiedlerFinancial.com



Fiedler Financial

Viatical Settlements Consulting & Brokerage

Completely confidential. No fee ever. Member Viatical Association of America. Featured in the New York Times. Fully Licensed. Locally owned and operated.



Carole Fiedler

Looking to put your best face forward?



Michael Echavez, M.D.

Board Certified Specialist in:

- Facial Plastic Surgery
- Laser Skin Resurfacing
- Laser Removal of Hair, Spider Veins and Tattoos
- Collagen/Botox
- Glycolic Acid Peels
- Hair Replacement Surgery
- Propecia for Hair Loss

(Free 2 week supply)



Complimentary consultation with mention of this ad

490 Post Street, Suite 500

San Francisco

(415) 392-9800

www.sfplasticsurgery.com

BANKRUPTCY LAW OFFICE

THOMAS R. BURNS

Attorney at Law

Member, National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys

- DEBT RELIEF • KEEP YOUR PROPERTY
- ELIMINATE OR CONSOLIDATE ALL DEBTS

Offering Personal Attention & A Positive Approach

FREE TELEPHONE CONSULTATION

CALL FOR A FRESH START

(415) 543-9900

703 Market Street, Suite 1109 San Francisco

www.tburnslaw.com

COMPETENCE • SENSITIVITY • INTEGRITY



ROGER S. GROSS

attorney at law

- SPECIALIZING IN
- WILLS AND TRUSTS • PROBATE
- PERSONAL TRANSACTIONS
- SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE
- BANKRUPTCY

Serving the community since 1974

(415) 861-5225

Activists protest AIDS vaccine and funding in Atlanta and D.C.

by Liz Highleyman

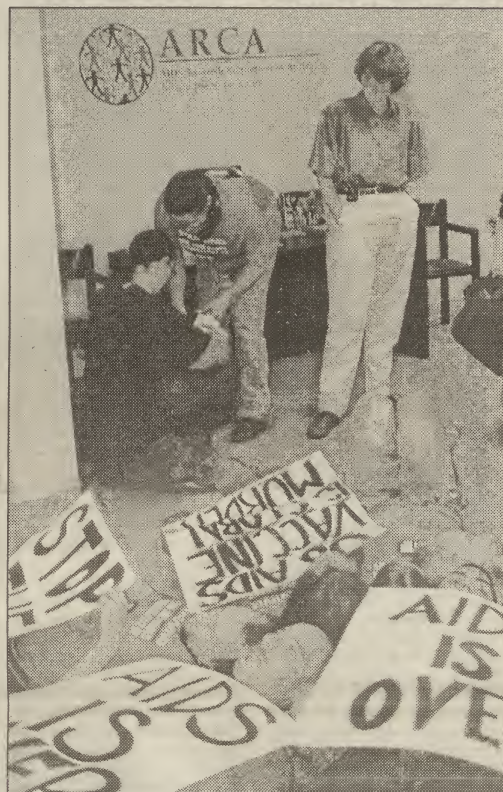
Members of ACT UP/San Francisco had a busy couple of weeks last month, first going to Atlanta, where they held a demonstration to protest the AIDS vaccine research, then they went to Washington D.C., where they protested at a conference.

On July 23, ACT UP/San Francisco members were among some 30 activists who demonstrated at the AIDS Research Consortium of Atlanta (ARCA) to protest the testing of an anti-HIV vaccine in the U.S., Thailand, and Africa.

ARCA is the Atlanta site for the clinical trial of AIDSvax, an experimental genetically engineered anti-HIV vaccine manufactured by VaxGen, Inc. of South San Francisco. The vaccine is currently being tested in Thailand and at several sites in the U.S.; future testing is planned for several countries in Africa. In San Francisco, AIDSvax trials are being conducted under the auspices of the Department of Public Health. The protesters claim that the vaccine tests are "unsafe, unnecessary, and unethical."

Two demonstrators, Tate Swindell and Josh Treuter of ACT UP/SF, climbed the scaffolding of a commercial billboard near the building that houses ARCA to hang a 40-foot banner reading, "U.S. AIDS Vaccine is Global Murder." Protesters also demonstrated in front of the Ponce de Leon Avenue building, calling for an end to all AIDS research and for a congressional investigation of corruption in government agencies, pharmaceutical companies, and AIDS service organizations.

Several protesters entered ARCA's offices, which they vandalized with stickers and graffiti reading "AIDS is Over" and "HIV is a Lie." Six of the demonstrators—including Gerard Livernois, best known as a member of the Biotic Baking Brigade who "pied" Mayor Willie Brown last November—locked themselves together in



A puzzled ARCA representative watches as ACT UP members prepare to ransack an office. In the foreground, activists in "octopus" lockdown refuse to move.

health by participating in any AIDS vaccine experiments. ... Our action today is a mild prelude to what we have planned for San Francisco when we get back to town."

Continuing on their East Coast tour, ACT UP/SF members were among those who protested at a National Institute of Mental Health conference in Washington, D.C. on July 30. At the conference, entitled "Early Detection of HIV: Emerging Issues in Prevention

Pelosi issued a response to the fake letter stating that it falsely characterized her GAO request as being motivated by concerns over use of AIDS funds, when the request actually focuses on identifying the critical role of AIDS programming. "I am absolutely convinced that any objective and thorough review of federally funded AIDS programs will find that the overwhelming majority of these services are high quality, cost effective, and essential to the appropriate care of thousands of people with AIDS," Pelosi stated.

The protesters also confronted conference panelists regarding what they claim is the unreliability of HIV antibody tests and stated their opposition to any type of HIV reporting. In recent years the federal government has pressured states to report HIV infections in addition to AIDS cases by name, in an effort to better track the epidemic; many AIDS service providers and patients' rights advocates oppose such a measure.

After several more disruptions throughout the day, Pasquarelli was removed by D.C. police officers during the final plenary panel session featuring University of California, San Francisco AIDS Research Institute director Dr. Thomas Coates. Pasquarelli was arrested for disorderly conduct, fined \$50, and released. ▼

For more information about ACT UP/SF, see the website at www.actupsf.com.

'Our action today is a mild prelude to what we have planned for San Francisco when we get back to town.'
— ACT UP/SF

ARCA's reception area with bicycle locks around their necks, a method pioneered by environmental activists to make it difficult for police to remove them. The protesters remained in the agency's lobby for three hours before leaving voluntarily; no arrests were made. ARCA closed its offices early and chose not to press charges.

According to ACT UP/SF member Dave Pasquarelli, "We came to Atlanta, home of the Centers for Disease Control, to tell America that HIV is a tragic biotechnological mistake, and to warn the black and gay communities of this city not to risk their

and Caré," Pasquarelli and Ronnie Burk of ACT UP/SF and Michael Petrelis of the AIDS Accountability Project turned their backs, booed, and hissed during an opening address by Representative Nancy Pelosi (D-San Francisco). The three demanded that Pelosi support a planned audit of AIDS service organizations by the federal General Accounting Office (GAO). A week earlier, a counterfeited "Dear Colleague" letter bearing Pelosi's letterhead and signature was sent to fellow representatives stating that she supported such an audit; Pelosi turned the forged letter over to authorities for investigation.

If you're HIV+, CRIXIVAN may help you live a longer, healthier life.



■ NIH research showed people taking CRIXIVAN in triple therapy lived longer and experienced fewer opportunistic infections.

Recent year-long research conducted by the National Institutes of Health (Protocol ACTG 320) studied over 1,000 patients and confirmed results from another study. The group of patients receiving CRIXIVAN along with 3TC and AZT achieved a reduction in deaths and AIDS-defining illnesses over those taking 3TC and AZT alone. This reduction was significant enough for the NIH to recommend the study be stopped, so that all participants could benefit from the findings. Because the study was ended early, there was insufficient data to determine the statistical impact of CRIXIVAN on survival.

■ CRIXIVAN in triple therapy continues to hold serum viral load down below the limit of detection at the one year mark.

In a separate, ongoing landmark study, over 90% of the 31 patients receiving CRIXIVAN, AZT, and 3TC reduced their HIV serum viral load below the limit of detection after 24 weeks (as measured by available tests; the virus may still be present in other organ systems). Importantly, the limited number of patients who chose to stay with the study for longer periods of time maintained these results through the one year mark.

■ CRIXIVAN is generally well tolerated.

CRIXIVAN can be taken with a light meal or on an empty stomach. There are side effects associated with protease inhibitors in general and CRIXIVAN in particular. Some patients treated with CRIXIVAN may develop kidney stones. For some, this can lead to more severe kidney problems including kidney failure. Drinking at least 6 glasses of water each day may help reduce the chance of forming a kidney stone. Other side effects reported include rapid breakdown of red blood cells and liver problems. There are some common medications and AIDS-related medications you should not take with CRIXIVAN. As with other protease inhibitors, severe muscle pain and weakness have occurred in patients also taking cholesterol-lowering medicines called "statins". Discuss all medications you are taking or plan to take with your doctor. Additionally, as with other protease inhibitors, increased bleeding in some patients with hemophilia and increased blood sugar levels or diabetes have been reported. Please read the following page for detailed information on side effects and dosing.

Please read the following page for more detailed information about CRIXIVAN.

CRIXIVAN is a protease inhibitor that fights HIV. CRIXIVAN can help reduce the chance of illnesses and death associated with HIV. CRIXIVAN can also help lower the amount of HIV in your body (called "viral load") and raise your CD4 T-cell count. Some patients may not experience these effects. CRIXIVAN is not a cure for HIV or AIDS.

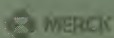
**Remember to
ask your doctor
about CRIXIVAN.**

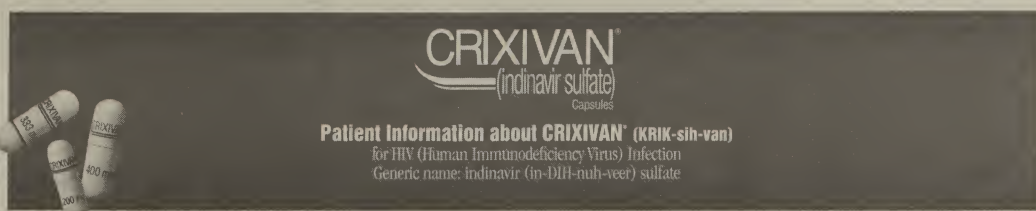
CRIXIVAN®
(indinavir sulfate)
Capsules

www.crixivan.com

©1999 Merck & Co, Inc. All rights reserved. 99-4085 (2) (508)-CRX

Going the distance.





Please read this information before you start taking CRIXIVAN. Also, you should read the information included with CRIXIVAN each time you receive your prescription, just in case anything has changed. Remember, this information does not take the place of careful discussions with your doctor. You and your doctor should discuss CRIXIVAN when you start taking your medication and at regular checkups. You should remain under a doctor's care when using CRIXIVAN and should not change or stop treatment without first talking with your doctor.

What is CRIXIVAN?

CRIXIVAN is an oral capsule used for the treatment of HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus). HIV is the virus that causes AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome). CRIXIVAN is a type of HIV drug called a protease (PRO-tee-ase) inhibitor.

How does CRIXIVAN work?

CRIXIVAN is a protease inhibitor that fights HIV. CRIXIVAN can help reduce your chances of getting illnesses associated with HIV. CRIXIVAN can also help lower the amount of HIV in your body (called "viral load") and raise your CD4 (T) cell count. CRIXIVAN may not have these effects in all patients. CRIXIVAN is usually prescribed with other anti-HIV drugs such as ZDV (also called AZT), 3TC, ddI, ddC, or d4T. CRIXIVAN works differently from these other anti-HIV drugs. Talk with your doctor about how you should take CRIXIVAN.

CRIXIVAN has been studied in adults. The safety and effectiveness of CRIXIVAN in children and adolescents have not been established.

How should I take CRIXIVAN?

There are six important things you must do to help you benefit from CRIXIVAN:

1. **Take CRIXIVAN capsules every day as prescribed by your doctor.** Continue taking CRIXIVAN unless your doctor tells you to stop. Take the exact amount of CRIXIVAN that your doctor tells you to take, right from the very start. To help make sure you will benefit from CRIXIVAN, you must not skip doses or take "drug holidays." If you don't take CRIXIVAN as prescribed, the activity of CRIXIVAN may be reduced (due to resistance).
2. **Take CRIXIVAN capsules every 8 hours around the clock, every day.** It may be easier to remember to take CRIXIVAN if you take it at the same time every day. If you have questions about when to take CRIXIVAN, your doctor or health care provider can help you decide what schedule works for you.
3. **If you miss a dose by more than 2 hours, wait and then take the next dose at the regularly scheduled time.** However, if you miss a dose by less than 2 hours, take your missed dose immediately. Then take your next dose at the regularly scheduled time. Do not take more or less than your prescribed dose of CRIXIVAN at any one time.
4. **Take CRIXIVAN with water.** You can also take CRIXIVAN with other beverages such as skim or non-fat milk, juice, coffee, or tea.
5. **Ideally, take each dose of CRIXIVAN without food but with water at least one hour before or two hours after a meal.** Or you can take CRIXIVAN with a light meal. Examples of light meals include:
 - dry toast with jelly, juice, and coffee (with skim or non-fat milk and sugar if you want)
 - corn flakes with skim or non-fat milk and sugar
6. **It is critical that you drink at least six 8-ounce glasses of liquid (preferably water) throughout the day, every day.** CRIXIVAN can cause kidney stones. Having enough fluids in your body should help reduce the chances of forming a kidney stone. Call your doctor or other health care provider if you develop kidney pains (middle to lower stomach or back pain) or blood in the urine.

Does CRIXIVAN cure HIV or AIDS?

CRIXIVAN is not a cure for HIV or AIDS. People taking CRIXIVAN may still develop infections or other conditions associated with HIV. Because of this, it is very important for you to remain under the care of a doctor. Although CRIXIVAN is not a cure for HIV or AIDS, CRIXIVAN can help reduce your chances of getting illnesses, including death, associated with HIV. CRIXIVAN may not have these effects in all patients.

Does CRIXIVAN reduce the risk of passing HIV to others?

CRIXIVAN has not been shown to reduce the risk of passing HIV to others through sexual contact or blood contamination.

Who should not take CRIXIVAN?

Do not take CRIXIVAN if you have had a serious allergic reaction to CRIXIVAN or any of its components.

What other medical problems or conditions should I discuss with my doctor?

Talk to your doctor if:

- You are pregnant or if you become pregnant while you are taking CRIXIVAN. We do not yet know how CRIXIVAN affects pregnant women or their developing babies.
- You are breast-feeding. You should stop breast-feeding if you are taking CRIXIVAN.
- Also talk to your doctor if you have:
- Problems with your liver, especially if you have mild or moderate liver disease caused by cirrhosis.
- Problems with your kidneys.
- Diabetes
- Hemophilia
- High cholesterol and you are taking cholesterol-lowering medicines called "statins."

Tell your doctor about any medicines you are taking or plan to take, including non-prescription medicines.

This medication is prescribed for a particular condition. Do not use it for any other condition or give it to anybody else. Keep CRIXIVAN and all medicines out of the reach of children. If you suspect that more than the prescribed dose of this medicine has been taken, contact your local poison control center or emergency room immediately.

This provides a summary of information about CRIXIVAN. If you have any questions or concerns about either CRIXIVAN or HIV, talk to your doctor.

* Registered trademark of MERCK & CO., Inc. Copyright © MERCK & CO., Inc., 1999. All rights reserved.

** The brands listed are the registered trademarks of their respective owners and are not trademarks of Merck & Co., Inc.



©1999 Merck & Co., Inc. All rights reserved. 99-4085 (2) (508)-CRX

Can CRIXIVAN be taken with other medications?*

Drugs you should not take with CRIXIVAN:

SELDANE® (terfenadine)	HISMANAL® (astemizole)
VERSED® (midazolam)	HALCION® (triazolam)
PROPULSID® (cisapride)	Ergot medications (e.g., Wigraine® and Cafergot®)

Taking CRIXIVAN with the above medications could result in serious or life-threatening problems (such as irregular heartbeat or excessive sleepiness).

In addition, you should not take CRIXIVAN with rifampin, known as RIFADIN®, RIFAMATE®, RIFATER®, or RIMACTANE®.

Drugs you can take with CRIXIVAN include:

RETROVIR® (zidovudine, ZDV also called AZT)	BIAVIN® (clarithromycin)
TAGAMET® (cimetidine)	isoniazid (INH)
DIFLUCAN® (fluconazole)	ORTHO-NOVUM 1/35® (oral contraceptive)
EPIVIR® (lamivudine, 3TC)	ZERIT® (stavudine, d4T)

BACTRIM®/SEPTRA® (trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole)

VIDEX® (didanosine, ddI) — If you take CRIXIVAN with VIDEX®, take them at least one hour apart.

MYCOBUTIN® (rifabutin) — If you take CRIXIVAN with MYCOBUTIN®, your doctor may adjust both the dose of MYCOBUTIN and the dose of CRIXIVAN.

NIZORAL® (ketoconazole) — If you take CRIXIVAN with NIZORAL®, your doctor may adjust the dose of CRIXIVAN.

Talk to your doctor about any medications you are taking.

What are the possible side effects of CRIXIVAN?

Like all prescription drugs, CRIXIVAN can cause side effects. The following is not a complete list of side effects reported with CRIXIVAN when taken either alone or with other anti-HIV drugs. Do not rely on this page alone for information about side effects. Your doctor can discuss with you a more complete list of side effects.

Some patients treated with CRIXIVAN developed kidney stones. In some of these patients this led to more severe kidney problems, including kidney failure or inflammation of the kidneys. Drinking at least six 8-ounce glasses of liquid (preferably water) each day should help reduce the chances of forming a kidney stone. Call your doctor or other health care provider if you develop kidney pains (middle to lower stomach or back pain) or blood in the urine.

Some patients treated with CRIXIVAN have had rapid breakdown of red blood cells (hemolytic anemia) which in some cases was severe or resulted in death.

Some patients treated with CRIXIVAN have had liver problems including liver failure and death. Some patients had other illnesses or were taking other drugs. It is uncertain if CRIXIVAN caused these liver problems.

Diabetes and high blood sugar (hyperglycemia) have occurred in patients taking protease inhibitors. In some of these patients, this led to ketoacidosis, a serious condition caused by poorly controlled blood sugar. Some patients had diabetes before starting protease inhibitors, others did not. Some patients required adjustments to their diabetes medication. Others needed new diabetes medication.

In some patients with hemophilia, increased bleeding has been reported.

Severe muscle pain and weakness have occurred in patients taking protease inhibitors, including CRIXIVAN, together with some of the cholesterol-lowering medicines called "statins." Call your doctor if you develop severe muscle pain or weakness.

Clinical Studies

Increases in bilirubin (one laboratory test of liver function) have been reported in approximately 10% of patients. Usually, this finding has not been associated with liver problems. However, on rare occasions, a person may develop yellowing of the skin and/or eyes.

Side effects occurring in 2% or more of patients included: abdominal pain, fatigue or weakness, flank pain, feeling unwell, nausea, diarrhea, vomiting, acid regurgitation, loss of appetite, dry mouth, back pain, headache, trouble sleeping, dizziness, taste changes, rash, upper respiratory infection, dry skin, and sore throat.

Swollen kidneys due to blocked urine flow occurred rarely.

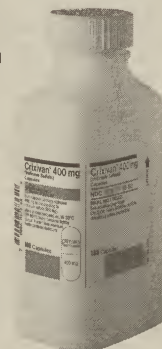
Marketing Experience

Other side effects reported since CRIXIVAN has been marketed include: allergic reactions; severe skin reactions; abdominal swelling; inflammation of the kidneys; inflammation of the pancreas; increased fat appearing in areas such as the neck, breasts, abdomen, and back; change in skin color; hair loss; ingrown toenails with or without infection; crystals in the urine; and numbness of the mouth.

Tell your doctor promptly about these or any other unusual symptoms. If the condition persists or worsens, seek medical attention.

How should I store CRIXIVAN capsules?

- Keep CRIXIVAN capsules in the bottle they came in and at room temperature (59°F-86°F).
- Keep CRIXIVAN capsules dry by leaving the small desiccant "pillow" in the bottle. Keep the bottle closed.



CRIXIVAN®
(indinavir sulfate)
Capsules

dosing / time / convenience

why

Can't someone make
HIV THERAPY
less complicated?

drug cocktail / work / side effects

food interactions / balance

someone just did!

Once Daily
SUSTIVA[™]
efavirenz



SUSTIVA[™] is the first HIV drug approved to be taken once-a-day as part of your combination therapy. Just take three 200 mg capsules together once daily, with or without food; high fat meals should be avoided. Your doctor may suggest taking SUSTIVA at bedtime to reduce any side effects you may experience.

SUSTIVA, an NNRTI*, must be used in combination with other HIV drugs.

SUSTIVA is tough on HIV. It reduces the amount of virus in your blood and increases the number of CD4 cells. SUSTIVA can even be used in young children, 3 years of age or older. This is based on results from controlled clinical trials at 24 weeks. Presently, there are no results from controlled clinical trials showing the long-term effects of SUSTIVA.

SUSTIVA has manageable side effects. Most side effects are mild to moderate and can be managed. The most significant side effects associated with SUSTIVA therapy have been nervous system symptoms (dizziness, trouble sleeping, drowsiness, trouble concentrating and/or abnormal dreams) and rash. These usually subside within the first two to four weeks of treatment. In a small number of patients, rash may be serious. Taking SUSTIVA at bedtime may help make nervous system symptoms less noticeable.

Now listed among
preferred anti-HIV
drugs in government
guidelines.¹

Pregnancy should be avoided in women receiving SUSTIVA because birth defects have been seen in primates dosed with SUSTIVA. Barrier contraception should always be used in combination with other methods of contraception.

Talk to your doctor when you start taking SUSTIVA. SUSTIVA may change the effect of other medicines (including ones for HIV). Always tell your doctor if you are taking, starting or changing any prescription or non-prescription medicine when taking SUSTIVA. Your doctor may change your medicines or change their dose. You should discuss your prior medical conditions (such as mental illness, substance abuse, hepatitis, etc.) with your doctor before taking SUSTIVA.

We know that coping with HIV is difficult enough. Your treatment doesn't have to be. Ask your doctor about SUSTIVA. For more important information see the next page for Patient Information about SUSTIVA.

FOR HIV

Finally, a once daily medication to treat HIV.
SUSTIVA. It's about time.
www.sustiva.com

*NNRTI - non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor.

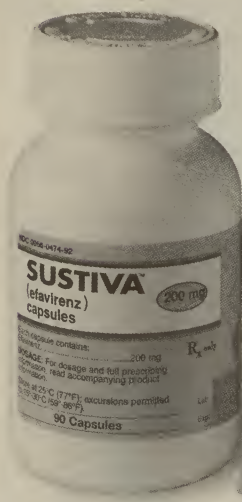
For more information on SUSTIVA, call 1-800-4PHARMA or visit our website at <http://www.sustiva.com>. For more information on the updated DHHS Guidelines, a PDF file of the guidelines is available at <http://www.hivatis.org>.

1. Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-Infected Adults and Adolescents. Panel on Clinical Practices for Treatment of HIV Infection, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), December 1998.

SUSTIVA[™] and the SUNBURST LOGO are trademarks of DuPont Pharmaceuticals Company. Copyright © 1999 DuPont Pharmaceuticals Company.



DuPont Pharmaceuticals



Once Daily SUSTIVA[™] efavirenz

SUSTIVA[™] (efavirenz) capsules Patient Information about SUSTIVA^{*} (sus-TEE-vah)

for HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) Infection

Generic name: efavirenz (eh-FAH-vih-rehnz)

Please read this information before you start taking SUSTIVA. Read it again each time you refill your prescription, in case there is any new information. Don't treat this leaflet as your only source of information about SUSTIVA. Always discuss SUSTIVA with your doctor when you start taking your medicine and at every visit. You should remain under a doctor's care when using SUSTIVA. You should not change or stop treatment without first talking to your doctor.

What is SUSTIVA?

SUSTIVA is a medicine used to help treat HIV, the virus that causes AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome). SUSTIVA is a type of HIV drug called a "non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor" (NNRTI).

How does SUSTIVA work?

SUSTIVA works by lowering the amount of HIV in the blood (called "viral load"). SUSTIVA must be taken with other anti-HIV medicines. When taken with other anti-HIV medicines, SUSTIVA has been shown to reduce viral load and increase the number of CD4 cells (a type of immune cell in blood). SUSTIVA may not have these effects in every patient.

Does SUSTIVA cure HIV or AIDS?

SUSTIVA is not a cure for HIV or AIDS. People taking SUSTIVA may still develop other infections associated with HIV. Because of this, it is very important that you remain under the care of your doctor.

Does SUSTIVA reduce the risk of passing HIV to others?

SUSTIVA has not been shown to reduce the risk of passing HIV to others. Continue to practice safe sex, and do not use or share dirty needles.

How should I take SUSTIVA?

- The dose of SUSTIVA for adults is 600 mg (three 200 mg capsules, taken together) once a day by mouth. The dose of SUSTIVA for children may be lower (see **Can children take SUSTIVA?**).
- Take SUSTIVA at the same time each day. You should take SUSTIVA at bedtime during the first few weeks or if you have side effects, such as dizziness or trouble concentrating (see **What are the possible side effects of SUSTIVA?**).
- Swallow SUSTIVA with water, juice, milk or soda. You may take SUSTIVA with or without meals; however, SUSTIVA should not be taken with a high fat meal.
- Do not miss a dose of SUSTIVA. If you forget to take SUSTIVA, take the missed dose right away. If you do miss a dose, do not double the next dose. Carry on with your regular dosing schedule. If you need help in planning the best times to take your medicine, ask your doctor or pharmacist.
- Take the exact amount of SUSTIVA your doctor prescribes. Never change the dose on your own. Do not stop this medicine unless your doctor tells you to stop.
- When your SUSTIVA supply starts to run low, get more from your doctor or pharmacy. This is very important because the amount of virus in your blood may increase if the medicine is stopped for even a short time. The virus may develop resistance to SUSTIVA and become harder to treat.

Can children take SUSTIVA?

Yes, children who are able to swallow capsules can take SUSTIVA. Rash may be a serious problem in some children. Tell your child's doctor right away if you notice rash or any other side effects while your child is taking SUSTIVA. The dose of SUSTIVA for children may be lower than the dose for adults. Capsules containing lower doses of SUSTIVA are available. Your child's doctor will determine the right dose based on your child's weight.

Who should not take SUSTIVA?

Do not take SUSTIVA if you are allergic to SUSTIVA or any of its ingredients.

What other medical problems or conditions should I discuss with my doctor?

Talk to your doctor right away if you:

- Are pregnant or want to become pregnant
- Are breast-feeding
- Have problems with your liver, or have had hepatitis
- Start or change any medicine
- Have side effects while taking SUSTIVA (efavirenz)
- Have a history of mental illness, substance or alcohol abuse

What are the possible side effects of SUSTIVA?

Many patients have dizziness, trouble sleeping, drowsiness, trouble concentrating, and/or unusual dreams a few hours after starting treatment with SUSTIVA. These feelings may be less noticeable if you take SUSTIVA at bedtime. They also tend to go away after you've taken the medicine for a few weeks. Rarely, patients have more serious side effects that may affect mood or ability to think clearly. These side effects occur more often in patients with a history of mental illness or substance abuse. Tell your doctor promptly if any of these side effects continue or if they bother you. There is the possibility that these symptoms may be more severe if SUSTIVA is used with alcohol or mood altering (street) drugs. You should avoid driving or operating machinery if you are having these side effects.

One of the most common side effects is rash. These rashes usually go away without any change in treatment. In a small number of patients, rash may be serious. If you develop a rash, call your doctor promptly.

Other common side effects include tiredness, upset stomach, vomiting, and diarrhea. However, this is not a complete list of side effects reported with SUSTIVA when taken with other anti-HIV drugs. Do not rely on this leaflet alone for information about side effects. Your doctor can discuss a more complete list of side effects with you.

Please contact your doctor immediately before stopping SUSTIVA because of side effects. Tell your doctor or other healthcare provider if you notice any side effects while taking SUSTIVA.

What about birth control, pregnancy, or breast-feeding?

Women should not become pregnant while taking SUSTIVA. Birth defects have been seen in animals treated with SUSTIVA. It is not known whether this could happen in humans. You should use a condom or diaphragm in addition to other methods of birth control while taking SUSTIVA. Inform your doctor immediately if you are pregnant. If you want to become pregnant, talk to your doctor. Do not take SUSTIVA if you are breast-feeding. Talk to your doctor if you are breast-feeding your baby.

Can I take other medicines with SUSTIVA?

SUSTIVA may change the effect of other medicines (including ones for HIV). Your doctor may change your medicines or change their doses. For this reason, it is very important to:

- Let all your doctors and pharmacists know that you take SUSTIVA.
- Tell your doctors and pharmacists about all medicines you take. This includes those you buy over-the-counter and herbal or natural remedies.

Bring all your medicines when you see a doctor, or make a list of their names, how much you take, and how often you take them. This will give your doctor a complete picture of the medicines you use. Then he or she can decide the best approach for your situation.

The following medicines may cause serious and life-threatening side effects when taken with SUSTIVA. You should not take any of these medicines while taking SUSTIVA:**

- Hismanal® (astemizole)
- Propulsid® (cisapride)
- Versed® (midazolam)
- Halcion® (triazolam)
- Ergot medications (for example, Wigraine® and Cafergot®)

The following medicines may need to be changed or have their dose changed when taken with SUSTIVA:**

- Crixivan® (indinavir)
- Fortovase® (saquinavir)
- Biaxin® (clarithromycin)

How should I keep SUSTIVA?

SUSTIVA is available as 50 mg, 100 mg, and 200 mg capsules.

Keep SUSTIVA at room temperature (77°F) in the bottle given to you by your pharmacist. The temperature can range from 59°-86°F.

Keep SUSTIVA out of the reach of children.

How can I learn more about SUSTIVA?

Talk to your doctor or other healthcare provider if you have questions about either SUSTIVA or HIV. For additional information you can visit the SUSTIVA website at <http://www.sustiva.com>.

This medicine was prescribed for your particular condition. Do not use it for any other condition or give it to anybody else. Keep SUSTIVA out of the reach of children. If you suspect that more than the prescribed dose of this medicine has been taken, contact your local poison control center or emergency room immediately.

*SUSTIVA[™] and the SUNBURST LOGO are trademarks of DuPont Pharmaceuticals Company.
Copyright © 1999 DuPont Pharmaceuticals Company
**The brands listed are the registered trademarks of their respective owners and are not trademarks of DuPont Pharmaceuticals Company.



DuPont Pharmaceuticals

Wilmington, DE 19880
Issued September, 1998

House holds hate crimes hearing

by Bob Roehr

The House Judiciary Committee held an oversight hearing on hate crimes last Thursday, August 5. While the Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 1999 (HCPA) was not the singular focus of the session, it was on everybody's mind. That measure passed the Senate on July 22.

Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder said the administration "remained deeply committed to prosecuting and preventing hate crimes." He linked the most recent spate of hate crimes around Chicago and northern California — against Jews, Asians, blacks, and gays — to show the inseparability of hate.

"These attacks, committed because the victims look different, practice a different faith, or have a different sexual orientation, threaten America's most cherished ideals. They represent an attack not just on the individual victims but on the victim's community. And their impact is broader because the send a message of hate. They are intended to create fear and dissension."

Holder urged creation of "concurrent federal jurisdiction" to facilitate their working with state and local officials. It would also give authority to prosecute in those few instances where local authorities were unable or unwilling to do so.

Legal scholar Daniel E. Troy, from the American Enterprise Institute, called the legislation "unnecessary and in fact counterproductive." He cited a 1998 report by the American Bar Association Task Force on the Federalization of Criminal Law that said that 40 percent of federal criminal provisions enacted since the Civil War have been enacted since 1970.

Committee member Representative Barney Frank (D-Massachusetts) looked tired, understandable as he had undergone heart surgery a mere five days before. But that did not impede his typical razor sharp questioning of witnesses.

Frank pushed Troy as to whether his philosophical opposition to hate crimes legislation led Troy to advocate repeal of existing hate crimes legislation, or simply oppose expansion to include gender, disability, and sexual orientation. Troy danced around the issue, wanting to repeal existing statutes, yet not quite advocating that repeal.

In a subsequent conversation, Winnie Stachelberg, political director of the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) called this type of response "duplicious at best." She wished that the Family Research Council and other opponents of the HCPA would "call a spade a spade, if this is not an anti-gay attack, then get out there and make your message about repealing all of this."

Rich Tafel, executive director of Log Cabin Republicans added, "Those on the religious right have advocated that we should have hate crimes laws, but we should keep gays off the list." They continue to support the portion of existing hate crimes laws covering religion.

Supporters and victims

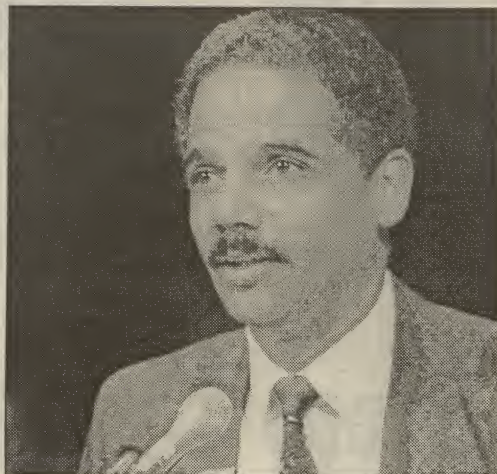
Boston University law professor Frederick M. Lawrence testified that "motivation is a critical and valid part of the definition of a crime," which often affects the penalty. He cited the various ways

a killing could be classified under current law.

"Failure to include sexual orientation implies that gays and lesbian are not as deserving of protection as racial, religious, or ethnic minorities," said Lawrence. "There is no such thing as a 'neutral' bias crime law." He called expansion of the HCPA "long overdue."

Carole Carrington is the mother and grandmother of two women gruesomely murdered earlier this year near Yosemite National Park along with an exchange student from Argentina. The murderer "targeted them simply because they were women," she said. "There is no question it was a hate crime."

"If Congress can expand federal jurisdiction to increase resources for the investigation of hate-based arson of churches and synagogues [which it did with the Church Arson Prevention Act of 1996], surely it can do the same for hate crimes against our nation's mothers, sisters, and daughters."



Deputy Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr.

Tony Orr related how he and his partner Tim Beauchamp "were severely beaten in Septem-

ber 1997 because of our sexual orientation" in Tulsa, Oklahoma. "The men knocked me to the

ground and began kicking me repeatedly in the head and stomach." Both suffered serious injuries requiring hospitalization.

The assailants told police officers they were "only rolling a couple of fags." Yet local officials treated the matter lightly. They allowed the trio to enter a plea agreement that included only 40 hours of community service, and were lax in enforcing that penalty. "We can't appeal to a higher authority in Oklahoma because our state does not recognize hate crimes based on sexual orientation," Orr said.

"No American should have to suffer the violence of a hate crime," President Bill Clinton said in a written statement. He urged the House "to complete what the Senate has begun."

Stachelberg says it is still unclear whether the House will act on the HCPA or similar legislation this year. It is likewise difficult to predict the fate of hate crimes legislation passed by the Senate when it comes to conference between the two chambers. ▼

Let's
TALK
ABOUT
SEX
and a possible
vaccine for HIV!

Photo: Steven Underhill

Sexually active, HIV negative men needed for an HIV vaccine research study. You cannot get AIDS from the vaccine.

SACRAMENTO
UCD Medical Center, Infectious Diseases
4150 V Street, Suite 500
(916) 734-8282

SAN FRANCISCO - UCSF
San Francisco General Hospital
1001 Potrero Avenue, Room 4C-34
(415) 514-4822

SAN FRANCISCO - Dept. of Public Health
HIV Research Section
25 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 500
(415) 554-9068

SAN JOSE
Santa Clara Public Health Department
HIV / AIDS Prevention and Control Program
2400 Moorpark Avenue, Suite 211
(408) 885-7008

For additional locations call toll free: **(877) 6-VAXGEN** (877) 682-9436

Gays can be Boy Scouts, says NJ court

by Bob Roehr

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) may no longer bar gays from being members of that organization, as either scouts or adult leaders, the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled on August 4. The unanimous 7-0 decision was a powerfully written rebuke of the organization. While the ruling is legally binding only in New Jersey, that court is highly regarded and often is cited by other state courts in reaching their decisions.

James Dale, now 29, filed the legal challenge. He had been a scout from the age of 8, advancing with an exemplary record to the pinnacle of Eagle Scout. He served as an assistant troop leader as an adult.

In 1990 a local newspaper published a picture identifying Dale as a leader of the Rutgers University Lesbian/Gay Alliance. The Boy Scouts drummed him out of the organization, saying that homosexuals were not "morally straight." The key legal argument centered around whether the Scouts are a private association, which may discriminate in terms of its membership, or a public accommodation that may not.

The Boy Scouts have long maintained their right to discriminate as a private association. In contrast, the Girl Scouts of America have made no such claims. Several years ago when these legal issues arose, the Girl Scouts issued a statement welcoming all females, including lesbians, to fully participate in activities.

New Jersey Chief Justice Deborah T. Portiz had no trouble deciding that the BSA are a public accommodation. In her 89-page decision she noted that 87 million American boys and men have joined the organization since its founding. "It is clear that Boy Scouts does not limit its membership to individuals who belong to a particular religion or subscribe to a specific set of moral beliefs."

"Boy Scout members do not associate for the purpose of disseminating the belief that homosexuality is immoral," Portiz wrote. It includes "sponsors and members who subscribe to different views in respect of homosexuality."

"Dale's expulsion constituted discrimination based solely on his status as an openly gay man," she concluded. "The sad truth is that excluded groups and individuals have been prevented from full participation in the social, economic, and political life of this country. The human price of this bigotry has been enormous. At a most fundamental level, adherence to the principle of equality demands that our legal system protect the victim of invidious discrimination."

Justice Alan B. Handler wrote in a concurring opinion, "One particular stereotype that we renounce today is that homosexuals are inherently immoral." A person, "merely because he or she is a homosexual, is no more or less likely to be moral than a person who is heterosexual."

Reaction

"My birthday was Monday and

this is the best birthday gift I could have asked for," said Dale last week at a hastily called news conference in Manhattan. "The decision vindicates everything I have learned through scouting: to be true to yourself, to be helpful to others, and to believe that justice and goodness will prevail."

Attorney Evan Wolfson with the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, which led the legal fight, called the decision "a win-win-win ruling. It is a victory for an outstanding Eagle Scout, a victory for gay and lesbian youth who should be included, not excluded from scouting, and a victory for all members of scouting who join because they value honesty, community service, self-reliance, and respect for others, not discrimination."

New Jersey Governor Christine Todd Whitman said she did not believe in discrimination "in any form. If the troop leader is a good leader, there's no reason to worry" about his sexual orientation.

Rea Carey, executive director of the National Youth Advocacy Coalition, called the Boy Scouts "the quintessential American institution" in building good citizens. But excluding gay youth from the organization sends "a very mixed message" that they are not capable of being good citizens. She called it more damaging than messages from the radical right. "Scouting isn't just about camping, it's about how you interact with people in the world."

"Discrimination is a harmful and serious moral wrong," said Kerry Lobel, executive director of

the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF). "Another domino in the campaign against GLBT people has fallen."

The *New York Times* editorialized, "No organization that recruits schoolchildren and says it is guided by honesty and respect for others has a right to ban homosexuals ... Expelling Mr. Dale because he did not hide his homosexuality runs completely counter to Scouting's purpose to promote truthfulness and courage."

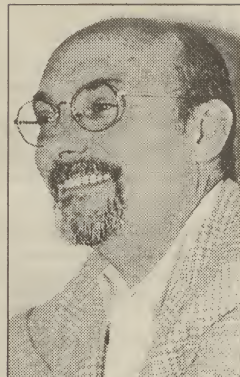
The *Boston Globe* urged, "The Boy Scouts of America should drop the vile lesson of intolerance it is teaching the future community leaders it purports to groom."

Appeal

The Boy Scouts have said that they will appeal the decision to the U.S. Supreme Court. Much of the decision was based on state law. The only grounds for federal appeal are First Amendment ones of speech and association.

"We think it is too bad that the Scouts intend to continue spending their members' money to hire expensive attorneys to defend the policy of discrimination that their members never chose," Wolfson said. "But we will be right there defending this decision and trying to end the policy."

"The court rejected a very similar argument that the United States Jaycees, a business association, made to justify excluding women," said Matthew Coles, director of the National Lesbian and Gay Rights Project at the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). "That was 15 years ago,



ACLU attorney Matt Coles

and the court ruled unanimously. I doubt they would revisit the issue now."

"The Boy Scouts will probably argue that somehow the New Jersey Supreme Court was unanimously wrong," said Wolfson. The decision "very closely and solidly followed recent and repeated rulings by the U.S. Supreme Court laying out the framework for dealing with these kinds of cases." He concurred with Coles that the court is not likely to accept the appeal.

There is a 90-day window within which the decision can be appealed, and further time for the defendant to respond. The court's decision on whether or not to accept the appeal should be known early next year, and if accepted, the case likely would be argued next spring. ▼

HIVCare Research Center

At Saint Francis Memorial Hospital

IS IT TIME TO CHANGE YOUR HIV THERAPY?

IF YOUR FIRST-LINE THERAPY INCLUDES EITHER CRIXIVAN OR NORVIR AND YOUR VIRAL LOAD IS INCREASING, OR NEVER REACHED AN UNDETECTABLE LEVEL, YOU AND YOUR DOCTOR MAY BE CONSIDERING A CHANGE IN STRATEGY. HIVCARE RESEARCHERS HAVE DESIGNED A STUDY TO COMPARE TWO POWERFUL SECOND-LINE THERAPIES FOR PEOPLE IN YOUR SITUATION.

IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE, YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TWO SECOND-LINE THERAPIES:

EITHER

VIRACEPT AND FORTOVAISE AND VIRAMUNE AND (D4T OR ddI) AND HYDROXYUREA

OR

VIRACEPT AND VIRAMUNE AND D4T AND ddI (ONE OTHER NUCLEOSIDE ANALOG DRUG MAY BE SUBSTITUTED) AND HYDROXYUREA

FREE AND FREQUENT VIRAL LOAD AND CD4 CELL COUNT RESULTS WILL HELP YOU AND YOUR DOCTOR MONITOR YOUR HEALTH IN REAL TIME.

HIVCare Research Center is a non-profit program at Saint Francis Memorial Hospital 900 Hyde Street, San Francisco CA 94109

Interested? For more information, call Mark Bowers at 353-6215; Physicians may call Gifford Leoung, MD, Medical Director, at 474-7900.

Rhode Island council overruled on gay Scout issue

United Press International

The storm that had arisen over the refusal of the Providence, Rhode Island Boy Scout Council to rehire a gay Eagle Scout for summer employment appeared to be over when the local council informed the gay 16-year-old last weekend that he could remain in scouting and have his summertime job back at Camp Yawgoog, it was reported Tuesday, August 10. But the National Council of Boy Scouts of America has overruled the local board, saying "avowed homosexuals" cannot belong to the organization.

Gregg Shields, national spokesman for the 5.8 million-member Boy Scouts of America, said Monday night that openly gay people cannot be the kind of role models the organization requires. When a Scout admits he is gay, he will receive notification from the organization that he is no longer a Boy Scout, Shields added.

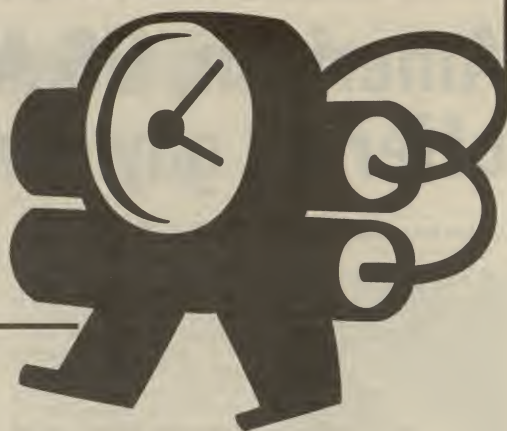
"This is a national policy," he noted, "and local Scout organiza-

tions must follow the policy or risk losing their charter."

The national policy is at odds with Rhode Island's top scouting officials who on Sunday informed the gay Eagle Scout and his family that his sexual orientation is his own business and that he could remain a member in "good standing." At issue is the fact that the Eagle Scout worked in the business office at Camp Yawgoog for several years. After he left for a full-time summer job in his father's business, he had a change of heart and returned to request his part-time summer job back at the camp. After he admitted to staffers that he was gay they told him he could no longer work there. Assailed by the Rhode Island Civil Liberties Union and the Rhode Island Alliance for Lesbian and Gay Rights, the local council backed down and announced the teenager was an "honorable young man," and could remain a Scout. The youth's family said Monday that they would not take legal action or pursue a complaint with the state Human Rights Commission. ▼

Syphilis:

A Time-Bomb We Can Defuse!



IN S.F. WE HAVE A SYPHILIS OUTBREAK

THIS IS SERIOUS!

- There's legitimate reason to be concerned. And there's also good reason to be optimistic.
- Syphilis is a bacterial sexually transmitted disease that is both easy to detect and easy to treat.
- A simple blood test will tell you if you have it.
- Antibiotics will cure it.
- Contact your primary care provider or the SF Department of Public Health at City Clinic and GET SCREENED. It's free and it's confidential.

FACTS ABOUT SYPHILIS:

- *You can have syphilis and have no symptoms.*
- *The painless sore and the rash will go away by themselves without treatment.*
- *If you are HIV(-), syphilis makes it easier to get HIV infection.*
- *If you are HIV(+), syphilis can increase your viral load AND can make your HIV more infectious.*
- *Syphilis is easy to detect and treat, but can be life-threatening if left untreated.*

City Clinic

356 7th Street, SF
(between Folsom & Harrison)
M, W, F 8-4; T 1-6; Th 1-4
Tel: 487-5500 sfcityclinic.org

American, US Airways offering gay partners benefits

United Press International

American Airlines announced Thursday, August 5, that it will begin offering full dependent benefits to homosexual partners of its employees. On Monday, August 9, US Airways announced it, too, is planning to offer benefits to employees' domestic partners.

Under the policy change, which follows a similar move by United Airlines on July 30, partners of gay and lesbian workers at American will be entitled to medical and dental insurance, life insurance, full travel privileges and other benefits.

United was the first major

airline to offer the benefits.

American spokesman Tim Kincaid told UPI from the company's Fort Worth, Texas headquarters, "We certainly noticed that they did it. But we felt the time was right to do it."

As to whether heterosexual travelers will choose other airlines in protest over the policy, Kincaid said, "We hope not. We know this is not a policy that will please everyone, but it's the right thing to do for our employees."

He anticipated that gays and lesbians will increasingly favor the airline for travel in the future.

The partner benefits do not extend to unmarried live-in partners in a heterosexual rela-

tionship, Kincaid said, adding, "This is for the employees who cannot legally marry their partners. They have no choice."

US Airways, based in Arlington, Virginia, made the announcement in a memo to employees last Friday. Michelle Bryan, senior vice president of human resources, is expected to meet with labor leaders and representatives of non-union employee groups to discuss details and timing of the program, the memo stated.

The national gay rights group Human Rights Campaign says more than 2,800 U.S. companies offer domestic partner benefits, including dozens of major corporations.

HRC Executive Director Elizabeth Birch said, "We applaud American Airlines for its decision to offer equitable benefits to gay and lesbian workers, firmly establishing an airline industry trend to treat all employees with dignity and respect."

American's decision follows similar policy switches at other Texas companies, including Perot Systems, Corp., in suburban Dallas, which began offering gay and lesbian partner benefits in 1996. Later, the company withdrew the benefits for newly hired gay and lesbian workers, citing high costs it would bear if it offered the benefits to partners of both gay and heterosexual workers. ▼

Gaither trial

◀ page 1

promised to pay Mullins for luring Butler into a threesome; it turned violent when Butler wasn't interested and Gaither wouldn't pay.

Outside the courtroom William Gaither, one of the victim's brothers, said that Billy Jack and Mullins had a relationship that Mullins didn't want exposed.

"Here in the South it is not unusual for 'straight' or 'confused' guys to 'visit' gay men from time to time," explained Birmingham native Edward Clayton, national president of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Veterans of America (GLBVA). "But it is always done in the strictest secrecy and usually turns ugly if it is ever discovered."

Hill also argued that while his client did kick and hit Gaither, he did not deliver the killing blows. Hill tried to portray Butler, a boyish redhead at only 5 foot 3 inches and 120 pounds, as being intimidated by his friend, the much larger Mullins.

But under cross-examination Butler admitted that there were several points during the extended ordeal — when they were beating Gaither, transporting him stuffed in the trunk of his own car, gathering tires and kerosene back home, again beating the victim and burning his body — when he could have run away for help. Thompson told the jury, "You don't have to be the triggerman to be guilty of capital murder."

The jury, perhaps mindful of photos of Gaither's beaten and burned body amidst the charred tires, didn't even bother to sort out a motive. An alternate juror, dismissed before the deliberations, said that she didn't think that it mattered who was gay or who wanted to have sex with whom. Butler's actions as an accessory to the murder were what counted.

The Gaither family was pleased with the trial outcome. "I can't see taking another human being's life, no matter what," said Billy Jack's father Marion, in opposing the death penalty. He hopes that Billy Jack will be remembered, not as a victim but as "one of the finest sons a man could want."

San Francisco resident Phillip Meeks told the *Bay Area Reporter* he is still struggling with the loss of Gaither, his hometown friend. "Now that the trial is over, it really hit me again. These guys are going to be locked up for life, but the crime still remains. At the end of the trial, Mullins and Butler had a chance to say something to Billy Jack's parents, to apologize or repent. But they just stood there and didn't say anything," Meeks said.

The Reverend Marge Ragona, pastor of the Covenant Metropolitan Community Church in Birmingham, said, "We were very afraid that because of the political climate here, people would not see this as serious. We are very, very grateful that it has been taken seriously." She feels that within the gay and lesbian community there is a sense that "justice has been done."

Added Meeks, "I know the gay and lesbian community is going to stay very active in Sylacauga to get a hate crimes bill passed."

"It is a hollow victory for us," said Clayton. "No matter what happened, Billy Jack cannot be brought back. It is such a shame that one life was lost, two others were laid to waste, and so many others affected by this tragedy." ▼

Assistant editor Mark Norby contributed to this report.

Youth shelter

◀ page 1

day and could operate for up to two years. The site comes equipped with showers and lockers that are separate from where the young people would sleep.

Leno started out the meeting asking for a show of hands from those who think that homelessness affects everyone and that the city should do something about it. Not surprisingly, many agreed with those statements. The disagreement arose over where the city should establish a shelter.

"I was taken by the real human struggle going on in the room," Leno told the B.A.R. after the meeting.

After the supervisors and others, including the Reverends Jim Mitulski and Penny Nixon of Metropolitan Community Church-San Francisco and the Reverend Yvette Flunder of the Ark of Refuge, spent nearly an hour talking to the audience, some people had had enough and when Katz attempted to get resident Gustavo Serina to finish up his talk, many in the crowd reacted angrily, forcing Leno to shout to the crowd that he would end the meeting. Things calmed down and the meeting continued, although at times emotions ran high.

Neighbors not happy

Serina's statements were greet-

ed with strong applause from many in the room. He told the B.A.R. that he thought there were several reasons why he struck a responsive chord with people.

"Over 250 people expressed concerns," he said, referring to a petition signed by people upset with the EVRC temporary shelter and its aftermath. "People felt patronized and misled. That EVRC created minimal disruption is hotly disputed by people. The homeless it drew to Collingwood Street have not left."

One of the things Serina and others quibble with is the definition of "youth." He pointed out that shelter clients would be legal adults. He also said that Flunder, while she's a church leader, also oversees the nonprofit Ark of Refuge that would probably bid on providing shelter services. "Her organization will probably submit a RFP [request for proposal] and has financial gain. I think people need to understand that," Serina said.

He said that the city wouldn't be able to discriminate against heterosexuals in accepting clients. "The issue is cost to the neighborhood," Serina, who's a property owner, said at the meeting. "If some people accuse me of NIM-BYism [not-in-my-back-yard], so be it."

He said he'd be willing to revisit the shelter issue once the city has cleaned up Collingwood Park and it stays that way for nine months.

Andrew Bertagnolli, who lives across the street from EVRC, told the B.A.R. he was having flashbacks to a similar February meeting about the temporary shelter after last week's gathering. While he's not against somewhere for young people to go, he said after listening to speakers voice their concerns that it seems that transitional housing would be a more palatable solution.

"Collingwood has always had problems," Bertagnolli said, adding the site has been popular for cruising, people coming to hang out and use drugs, and people coming from area bars. "What we have there now is different. About 15 people on average are sleeping in the park." Before the temporary shelter operated in March, April, and part of May, there were about four people who slept in the park, he said.

Other speakers at the meeting told the supervisors that they were inviting "drugs, vagrancy, and alcohol" into a neighborhood that "doesn't have it now." Others

suggested one of the empty storefronts along Market Street would be a better location than the former gym that sits across the street from Victorian homes.

Still others were unsure. One man, who gave his first name, John, said he was conflicted about the issue. His partner worked with other volunteers from MCCSF who served meals to the young people while the EVRC shelter was open. "Most of what I've heard about EVRC scares me," he said. "I've never trusted City Hall and I don't know my opinion on this now. What are both of you going to do to be personally involved?" he asked Katz and Leno.

Katz answered him by saying she lives near facilities for people living with mental disabilities and that while she was nervous, those feelings have subsided. "We will be very responsible," Katz said. "We will learn from our mistakes. We had mistakes at EVRC."

Leno said he dropped by the EVRC shelter or MCCSF almost every night during the 90 days the temporary shelter was in operation. "We are here because we care about a problem."

Proponents speak up

Those supporting the shelter addressed the crowd, and they received applause from many people in the room as well. Eric Ciasullo worked with Ark of Refuge when it ran a youth shelter in the South of Market District last year. "My quality of life improved. These kids need some help. They [supervisors] kept their promise. The [EVRC] shelter shouldn't have closed but they promised. This need isn't going away."

Daniel, a bisexual young person who stayed at the EVRC shelter, told the audience how his life has changed for the better; he now has a job and lives in the East Bay. "Without the help at Collingwood, I wouldn't be here," he said.

Eileen Hansen also spoke in support of the shelter and encouraged people to join in the working groups to further discuss the issue. "How do we make this work?" she asked.

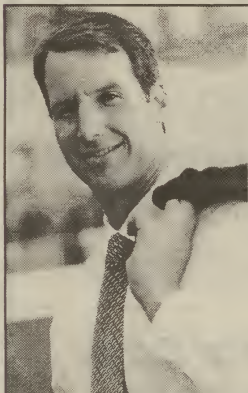
Shawn O'Hearn suggested a youth shelter be incorporated into the LGBT Community Center Project. He stated the fact that queer youth could access services right in the building, which is already in a location that would create minimal homeowner and

page 25 ▶



**Gay & Lesbian Catholics,
Our Families & Friends**

Eucharist Every Sunday 5:30 p.m.
Seventh Avenue Church
1329 7th Ave. at Judah • 681-2491



Gary R. Cloutier

Attorney at Law

- Employment/HIV Discrimination
- Sexual Harassment
- Personal Injury

260 California Street
San Francisco, CA 94111
415-421-7333

firewood
CAFÉ

come in and try our
Famous Homemade
Tortellini

OPEN 7 DAYS

4248 18TH/CASTRO
SAN FRANCISCO • 415.252.0999



Lesbian aide to lesbian council member plans to succeed boss

Wins early endorsement from the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund

by David Batterson

Openly lesbian Toni Atkins' run for San Diego's 3rd District Council seat is well under way, even though the primary is not until March 2000. Atkins has raised over \$40,000 according to campaign coordinator Tim Orozco, and plans to raise much more. Atkins is a senior policy analyst for Christine Kehoe, San Diego councilmember for the 3rd District that includes the gay Hillcrest area.

Kehoe said recently that Atkins "is by far and away the best candidate, with the best background. She's got a real provable record of delivering to the constituents of this district, and I'm really proud to endorse her. She is an outstanding person, and I think she'll be an outstanding elected official." As for the election being a shoo-in, Kehoe replied that Atkins "has a lot of hard work ahead of her. We're way far out but it's very early."

The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund has now endorsed Atkins. "Given that California's primary elections are occurring earlier than ever next year, we felt it was extremely important to throw our support," said Brian K. Bond, executive director. Bond said it gives the community "the chance to make history, and the time to act is now."

Bond added that "for more than a decade, Atkins has been an effective San Diego community leader. Her election to the council would set a very important precedent by ensuring that the voices of the lesbian and gay community continue to be included in San Diego's city government."

Atkins says that "it's important

that we start early because 2000 is a big year. There will be a number of important races in 2000. A city council race could be very easily overlooked in a presidential year. The Kehoe aide said "the [San Diego] City Council is very important. In the next 3 1/2 years we're going to have a complete turnover."

'People first'

"I'm happy to be part of something bigger than myself," Atkins said at a fundraiser earlier this year. "I want to continue to be part of a movement that puts people first, that makes our community the priority, and therefore creates a better city and community in which to live."

Bill Beck, Atkins's campaign finance committee chair, said "basically we're going to do a lot of the same things [as the previous Kehoe campaign]. 'Toni has been in the community as a senior aide to Kehoe. She knows what the issues are. People thought Kehoe was going to be a one-issue candidate — gay and lesbian — and that hasn't happened.'"

Kehoe commented about how "it's really a team at Council District 3, and one of the team members has been Toni all the way through. Toni's leadership and growth as a member of the Council District 3 team has been remarkable; and it's not that she started with so little to begin with."

"In the five years that Toni has handled many important issues," Kehoe said, "everyone that has seen her work knows how responsive she is to constituents — not just firing off a form letter or saying 'I'll get back to you' on the phone. Kehoe added that "it takes somebody that's going to stay on it and get the job done, and follow

through. Toni Atkins has all those abilities."

Atkins was on Kehoe's campaign staff in 1992 and after Kehoe's victory joined her city staff. Atkins was named "Woman of the Year" by San Diego Lesbian and Gay Pride. She received the Doug Scott Award for Political Action from the San Diego Democratic Club. Atkins has done volunteer work for ElderHelp of San Diego and the Hillcrest/North Park Citizens Patrol.

California's primary election — set for March 7, 2000 — will also be critical for these candidates: California Assemblywoman Sheila Kuehl, Los Angeles City Councilmember Jackie Goldberg, and Kehoe.

Kuehl has launched a bid to become California's first openly lesbian state senator. Goldberg, the city's first openly lesbian elected official, is making a run for the California Assembly. Kehoe was the first openly gay or lesbian elected to office in San Diego County when she won her first race in 1993. She is now in a race for a seat in the California Assembly representing the 76th District in San Diego.

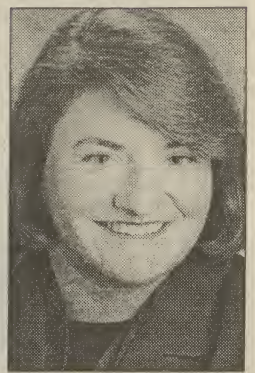
"By electing their first openly gay state senator, increasing the inclusion of gay lawmakers in the Assembly, and solidifying a place on the City Council for San Diego's gay and lesbian community, all Californians stand to benefit," said Bond. "Bringing more lesbian and gay voices into the political process will be good for everyone in the Golden State. These candidates will be incredible role models on the front line against discrimination in the face of the anti-gay Knight initiative, the anti-marriage measure that

will appear on the next year's California ballot."

Those in San Diego who have endorsed Atkins include Mandy Schultz, executive director of San Diego Pride, Craig Roberts, president of the mostly-gay San Diego Democratic Club; gay newspaper columnist/community activist Nicole Murray-Ramirez, *Gay & Lesbian Times* publisher Michael Portantino and the San Diego City Firefighters. That organization represents 1,000 firefighters and paramedics who work for the city of San Diego.

Maureen Steiner, who was chair of the San Diego County Democratic Party for five years, encouraged Atkins to run. "She

page 26 ►



Toni Atkins

EXCEL LINEN

LOW, LOW PRICES, HIGH QUALITY

Specializing in Bars, Restaurants, Beauty Salons and Health Clubs.

- TOWELS • MATS • APRONS
- TREATED DUST MOPS
- MUCH, MUCH MORE

*We Supply, Deliver,
Pick-up, Clean and
Upgrade Towels.*

1-800-400-7803

Two weeks free for new customers with this ad

ACUPUNCTURE

Your Ticket to Improved Health

We specialize in:
HIV/AIDS, Auto-Immune Disorders, Women's
Health, Musculoskeletal and Food Allergies.

Immune Enhancement Project; 3450 - 16th Street
(415) 252-8711

CHINESE HERBS

MASSAGE

PAINFUL FEET?

CONSULTATION AVAILABLE

FAST • SAFE • COMFORTABLE • AFFORDABLE

- Modern Laser Treatments
- HMO Runaround? Not here.
- Custom Arch Devices
- MC/VISA/Credit plan
- Evening Hours-Free Parking
- Fungus Nail Treatment

Richard Levigna-Podiatrist-Director

**Advanced
Foot Clinic**

411 Grand Ave. (by the lake)
Oakland

(510) 465-FEET

OVER 20 YEARS SERVICE TO THE LESBIAN & GAY COMMUNITY

IMMEDIATE CASH

for people who are living with a
TERMINAL ILLNESS

As a no-fee advisory service, we will assist you in
selling your life insurance policy by:

- ▼ Simplifying this complex process
- ▼ Requiring only one application
- ▼ Selecting from the most qualified viatical settlement funding companies
- ▼ Negotiating the best offer on your behalf
- ▼ Maintaining your confidentiality
- ▼ Never charging a service fee to you

Please call for our complimentary brochure:
1-800-435-8891
www.benefitadvocates.com

BENEFIT ADVOCATES TM

A Viatical Settlement Advisory Service

599 Higuera Street • Suite H • San Luis Obispo, California • 93401
Member VAA-Viatical Association of America

AUGUST POLITICAL CALENDAR

Meetings of interest to the community throughout August, listed in alphabetical order:

ACT UP/Golden Gate
August 17, 24, 31; 7:30 p.m.
592 Castro Street
(Meets every Tuesday)
Info: (415) 252-9200

**Alexander Hamilton
American Legion**
Post 448 (LGBT Veterans)
August 19; 7 p.m.
Veteran's War Memorial Bldg.
401 Van Ness Avenue,
Room 202
(Meets 3rd Thursday)
Info: (415) 431-1413

**Alice B. Toklas
Democratic Club**
August 23; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Martini's bar
Market Street @ Valencia
Info: (415) 522-3809

**Ambiente Latino
Democratic Club**
August 18; 6:30-8:30 p.m.
(Meets 3rd Wednesday)
Location/Info: (415) 239-6612

Board of Supervisors
August 16, 23; 2 p.m.
City Hall, 2nd Floor
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
(Recess August 24 through September 12.)

For committee meetings
call (415) 554-5184

**HIV Health Services
Planning Council**
August 23; 4:30 p.m.
City Hall, Room 201
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Committee meetings/info:
(415) 554-9136

**HIV Prevention
Planning Council**
August 12; 3-6 p.m.
City Hall, Room 201
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
(Meets 2nd Thursday)
For committee meetings,
call (415) 554-9000

**Lesbians and Gays of African
Descent for Democratic Action
(LGADDA)**
August 19; 7 p.m.
507-B Divisadero
(Meets 3rd Thursday)
Info: (415) 749-1202

**LGBT Advisory Committee
SF Human Rights Commission**
August 17; 5:30 p.m.
25 Van Ness Avenue
(Meets 3rd Tuesday)
Info: (415) 252-2500

**LGBT Community Center
Project Board**
August 18; 7 p.m.
1748 Market Street, 2nd Floor

(Meets 3rd Wednesday)
Info: (415) 437-2257

**Queer Latino Political Action
Committee (QL PAC)**
August 12; 6:30 p.m.
Women's Building
3543 18th Street
(Meets 2nd Thursday)
Info: (415) 648-3702

**San Francisco
Health Commission**
August 17, 31; 3 p.m.
SF Department of Public Health
101 Grove Street, Room 300
(Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday)
Info: (415) 554-2666

**Call for information
about these August
meetings:**

Harvey Milk Democratic Club
Info: (415) 751-5364

**LGBT Pride Celebration
Committee**
Info: (415) 864-3733

Log Cabin Republican Club
Info: (415) 522-2944

Out on the Island
City of Alameda's gay commu-
nity action group
Info: (510) 337-1300

SF Youth Commission
Info: (415) 554-6446

The new face of PEP

But we still don't know if it works

Larry Hanbrook, ACT UP/
Golden Gate Writers Pool

For almost the past two years, HIV-negative people in San Francisco who have had a possible exposure to HIV have been able to access anti-HIV medications, in the hope that an new infection can be stopped. This treatment, called post-exposure prophylaxis, or PEP, has been offered in the past at San Francisco General Hospital and at City Clinic as part of a research study. As of April 1999, the research study has stopped enrolling people, but PEP is still available to those who qualify. The project has changed in the past half year, transitioning from a research study to a clinical service.

We at ACT UP/Golden Gate have been following and reporting on PEP since before it was developed into a study, and we presented a forum within these pages for differing perspectives on PEP, written by researchers, behaviorists, prevention workers, and community activists. Later, when PEP was launched as a joint University of California, San Francisco/Department of Public Health

(DPH) study, we wrote a few updates on the shape it was taking. Now that PEP is no longer a study, it seems time for another update.

First, a recap: while it is hoped that PEP might stop a new HIV infection from taking hold, there is still no hard evidence to show that it works. The best we can do is say that we have reason to think that it might work, and this is all based on data collected from a

study on health workers who have gotten needlestick exposures to HIV. The study is a "retrospective" study, looking back at data collected from healthcare settings on healthcare workers who have accidentally gotten stuck with needles that were known to

contain HIV-infected blood. Although the interpretation of the data is under some dispute, it seems that the workers who elected to start immediate treatment with AZT had an 81 percent lower likelihood of infection, compared with those who chose not to take any treatment.

But getting stuck by a needle is very different from being exposed through sex, and it is possible that the data collected in the healthcare worker study might have limited application for sexual expo-

sure. The mechanics of infection are very different for sexual exposures and blood-to-blood exposures; in sexual exposures, the HIV usually must pass through a mucosal membrane (such as the lining of the rectum, vagina, or throat) to reach the lymphatic system, where it takes hold. But when people get stuck with needles, the HIV passes directly into the bloodstream. The problem is that we don't know if the medica-

tion will work the same way, or as well, for different types of exposures.

While it is hoped that PEP might stop a new HIV infection from taking hold, there is still no hard evidence to show that it works.

Unfortunately, the PEP study will not be able to answer the question of efficacy, that is, how effective the medications are. An efficacy study would require thousands of participants, since the chances of infection from any one event is relatively low. Instead of being designed to test efficacy, the PEP study was designed as a descriptive study to test feasibility: who comes in to access PEP? With what types of exposures? What are their concerns? Are people seemingly using PEP continuously, as a form of ongoing prevention, rather than reducing their risk behavior?

The study closed enrollment in April because it reached its goal of enrolling 500 participants. But because there is "reason to think PEP might work," PEP—as a ser-

vice, not a study—is continuing to be offered by DPH. This PEP service looks very different from the PEP study. The transition from study to service means that the provision of PEP fits in more with other services offered by the DPH; in other words, PEP has been streamlined. This impacts new participants in a few important ways.

For participants, the largest change from the study-service

(ALRP), people who access PEP through their insurance cannot face subsequent discrimination or denial of care from the insurance provider; nor, according to ALRP, would people who access PEP be denied insurance coverage in the future. Still, people who access PEP through their insurance need to understand that a record of accessing HIV medications would remain in their insurance file.

Another significant change is in the criteria for eligibility. The study included anyone who had an unprotected anal or vaginal exposure with a high-risk partner, regardless of whether there was ejaculation, and oral receptive exposures only if there was ejaculation. The service no longer considers oral exposures an eligibility criterion, unless there are other circumstances indicating greater vulnerability such as cuts in the mouth.

Additionally and more pleasantly, the time commitment is lightened considerably. The study required 11 visits over the course of a year, some of which could take over three hours. The service only requires two visits: one at intake, and another one week later. Participants are encouraged to return for another visit approximately two months after they finish the 28-day regimen, in order to have another HIV antibody test.

Although the service version of PEP differs from the study, one important element has remained intact: counseling. Each person who comes in for PEP sees a PEP counselor, who has been trained specifically in PEP issues. Clearly, almost by definition, most of the people who seek PEP have some HIV risk in their lives. Whether they seek PEP because a condom broke or because they had intentional unprotected sex, there is some call for risk-reduction counseling. Condom failure can perhaps be avoided if the condom is used properly and checked from time to time during use; and intentional unprotected sex with an unknown or HIV-positive partner is ample reason for a counseling intervention, especially if the person has concern about HIV infection from the exposure.

PEP is housed at City Clinic, the city's sexually transmitted disease (STD) clinic, which is a reasonable place for it—PEP and STD services dovetail well. Like the study, each participant in PEP is given an STD screen at enrollment. The risk of infection with gonorrhea, chlamydia, or syphilis is higher than the per-contact risk of acquiring HIV, and detecting and treating them early can help reduce their spread—all in all a good thing.

In the past, readers may have seen some of the outreach for PEP. Often placed in men's rooms in bars, and on billboards around town, they depicted a broken condom with the caption "Oh Shit," and include information on how to access the program. Unfortunately, outreach is no longer being done for PEP. We hope this is merely a glitch in the transition process, and believe that a service such as PEP should be made as easy to access as possible.

We request that readers make a note of PEP, and tell anyone you know who might benefit from accessing this service. ▼



ACT UP

William Owen, Jr., M.D.
Carl Stein, PA-C

415.861.2400
www.owenmed.com

45 Castro St., Suite 402
San Francisco
© Davies Medical Center

Gay Health Care Since 1979

SPEED USE?

New UCSF treatment research with medication, HIV meds, Antidepressants, other treatment OK! **Reimbursement offered. Call for more information.**

(415) 502-5802

FOR FOOT CARE...

- Foot Pain
- Warts
- Ingrown/Fungal Nails
- Calleus
- HIV-Related Foot Conditions

Dr. Jon D. Tinkle
Diplomate—American Board of Podiatric Surgery

Davies Medical Professional Bldg., 45 Castro St., Suite 315
San Francisco, California 94114 • Phone: 415-565-0200
email: jdt@footdoctor.com • website: http://www.footdoctor.com

ENDOSCOPIC & LASER TREATMENTS AVAILABLE

ACTION Update

PEP's still here

If you have had a possible exposure to HIV and are considering taking PEP, you can call the PEP day line for more information (415) 487-5538, during business hours. If you need to leave a message, PEP staff will return it within the hour. After working hours or on weekends call (415) 514-4737. This will activate a pager and someone will call you back within two hours.

PEP is being offered at City Clinic, located at 356 Seventh Street, between Folsom and Harrison. City Clinic's hours are: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, 1 to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m. ▼



FREE SMOKING CESSATION TREATMENT

The Habit Abatement Clinic of UCSF is offering a research treatment program evaluating counseling combined with medication treatment.

For more information call:

(415) 476-7453

Or contact our website at www.ucsf.edu/nosmoke/

University of California
San Francisco

UCSF

OBITUARIES

OBITUARY POLICY

Obituaries must be typed and no longer than 200 words. Please follow normal rules of capitalization – and no poetry. We reserve the right to edit for style, clarity, grammar, and taste.

If you're submitting a photo of the deceased, write their name on the back. If you include a SASE for the photo's return, write the person's name on the inside of the envelope flap. All obituaries must include a contact name and phone number. They must be submitted within a year of the death.

Deadline for obituaries is Monday at 5 p.m., with the exception of special display ad obituaries, which must be submitted by Friday at 3 p.m.

William R. Bacon

Will died peacefully on the morning of August 1, 1999 from complications of AIDS. He had lived with dignity since learning of his HIV positive status in 1987. Will survived his two partners in life, Danny and David.

Born June 24, 1947, Will came to San Francisco in the late 1970s and earned his B.A. from USE. He worked in the human resources department of Wells Fargo Bank from 1981-1989. He then became manager of compensation and benefits at Centex until 1994. At that time, Will became a benefits counselor at AIDS Benefits Counselors where he worked until going on disability in 1996. During his life and career, he also worked extensively with Larkin Street Youth Center.

Throughout his life, Will loved the outdoors. From his days skiing in Vail, to his many vacations with partners in Puerto Vallarta, to the many hikes in his beloved Tennessee Valley, Will was renewed by nature. In recent years he indulged his dreams by visiting Paris, Versailles, Milan, Tuscany and Venice. This writer was honored to share Will's thrill at the sight of Paris and Venice in particular.

Will is survived by his parents, Raymond and Betty, as well as his sister, Carter. He is also mourned by his long-time dear friends Rachel and Penelope, and by David his friend and travel companion in recent years. Joining in mourning Will's passing is Rev. Jim Goss, Deacon at Episcopal Church of the Nativity in San Rafael, who had brought tremendous comfort and serenity to Will in his final months.

Will asked that donations in his memory be made to Hospice of Marin, Larkin Street Youth Center or JUMA Ventures.

Peter M. Hodgdon

September 27, 1970 — August 3, 1999

Peter Hodgdon died on August 3, 1999 in Falmouth, Maine. Pete moved to San Francisco after graduating from Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut. He lived in Ukiah and San Francisco until he returned to Maine in June of this year.

He worked as a reporter (he hated the word "journalist") for the Ukiah Daily Journal, the Fremont Argus and the Oakland Tribune. He loved classic American novels, those candy bars from Australia, and the worship and praise Sunday night service at MCC where he compiled his top ten list of favorite hymns.

He is survived by his supportive parents Lester and Sydney of Brunswick, Maine, his loving brothers Ben of Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon), Viet Nam and Rob of Dresden, Germany, his avuncular buddy John-Michael, and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held at The First Parish (Unitarian) in Portland,

Maine. The family asks that any memorial contributions be made to The AIDS Project, P.O. Box 5305, Portland ME 04101.

Steven Maguire

April 6, 1961 — July 31, 1999



Steven, a native of Glasgow Scotland, has left this world and is now with two of the people he loved most, his partner Joe and his Mum, Margaret "Rita." Steven is survived by his father Alex,

brother Mark, sister Karen, nephew Joshua and niece Margaret.

Steve was active in the Contra Costa

AIDS task force and the Salvation Army. He was an avid Star Trek fan and loved camping and gardening. Steven had the gift of laughter, and loved to laugh. Who could forget his unique home with the glass-block bed that lit up, parachutes hanging from the ceiling, or the Bamboo Tiki room. Steven was famous for his Halloween parties where he created a real haunted house. He was proud of his participation in the "gay gene" study in Washington D.C., and the subsequent article on the front page of the B.A.R., "Gays with Designer Genes, Meet the Maguire Brothers."

Take a moment to remember him and the special person he was. If you would like to make a donation in his memory, please do so to the Rainbow Community Center 2637 Pleasant Hill Rd., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523, or the Salvation Army, 3550 Army St., San Francisco, CA 94110

Youth shelter

◀ page 22

neighborhood disruption. He acknowledged the CCP board would probably resist the idea. "I personally don't want another bright new building with overpriced 'nonprofit' staff providing questionable 'services' to our community. I want a community center that is a 'working' community center that cares about all its members and not just its wealthy

and affluent members that can donate a \$500 brick with their name on it or write a check for \$5,000," said O'Hearn.

Queer activist Tommi Avicoli Mecca said the homeless issue ties in with the high rents charged in the city. He also took issue with the way some people were talking. "A lot of people are talking about queer youth as trash. If we really care about human beings, we'll come together."

Afterwards, Avicoli Mecca told the B.A.R. that he hopes con-

sensus can be reached when the smaller groups start meeting. "I think last night, emotions ran high," he said last Friday. "I think the end result is a good one and most important, we got to listen to each other. I want to get started. Let's meet." ▼

The shelter advisory committee meets Wednesday, August 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the former City Athletic Club, 2500 Market Street.

Mayor's race

◀ page 1

and former Mission area nightclub owner; Lucrecia Bermúdez, a lesbian political activist who ran unsuccessfully for treasurer in 1997 and lost when she ran for supervisor in 1996 and 1998; Jim Reid, an openly gay man who ran for supervisor unsuccessfully last year; attorney David Martz, the Republican candidate for Congress who lost to Representative Nancy Pelosi last year; Max Woods, a Republican and perennial candidate for the office;

William Felzer, an engineer who teaches at City College; Mark O'Hara, a member of the Reform Party; and three political unknowns, Martin Eng, an Internet company founder; A.D. Wyatt Norton, an artist; and businessman J.R. Manuel.

Race for DA

Hallinan will face former Assistant District Attorney Steve Castleman, a prominent environmental attorney who once won the largest toxic pollution criminal case in California. Castleman, who has never run for public office before, is a well-financed can-

didate who once worked for Hallinan but is now a strong critic of the incumbent.

Also running for district attorney is Bill Fazio, another former assistant district attorney who lost a close race to Hallinan four years ago; Deputy Public Defender Matt Gonzalez; and Mike Schaefer, an attorney in private practice.

Hallinan, whose first term as the city and county's top prosecutor has been marked by controversy, is likely to be forced into a December runoff by either Castleman or Fazio if no one wins a clear majority of votes. ▼

acre site at 1 Church Street last year for around \$6 million.

"But what do they mean by affordable," Blackford added. "Affordable for whom? Affordable to the six-figure income group, or affordable to those stuck at minimum wage?"

The Coalition to Save the Daphne will file its appeal and follow that by speaking at the Planning Commission meeting August 19 at City Hall. It's up to the National Registry of Historic Places to approve the appeal. If

the appeal is approved, a second hearing will be scheduled sometime in early fall.

"At the end of the hearing," Blackford concluded, "one of the commissioners [Robert Winter] openly expressed his regret at casting a vote against the Daphne. His vote in favor would have saved the nomination. We're sure that at the next hearing, if all nine members appear, that we'll win the nomination. It would be a devastating shame to see Quincy Jones's building turned into rubble." ▼

Daphne

◀ page 4

of the property be reserved for residential development. These portions would allow up to 75 units of combined apartment/condominium housing. Bridge Developers plans to provide affordable housing, according to Galante, and would demolish the Daphne to make way for 93 multi-family housing units. Bridge Housing Corporation purchased the one-

Health Summit

◀ page 13

tis C among prisoners and former prisoners in Texas.

Newer to the scenes of both activism and performance art, L.A. writer and organizer Tony Valenzuela also presented original work. He gave readings from his upcoming one-character performance pieces on coming out, testing positive for HIV, and dealing with conflict within the queer community.

Leaving Boulder bolder

As participants spilled out of this last session, arguments could

be heard about these complaints of insensitivity, proving that – as at any lively conference – this one had its fair share of conflict, and conflict about conflict.

For the most part, the closing plenary was a celebration of the beginning of an energetic and useful movement. Working groups formed to carry the work out of the conference and into the world, and each group rose at this last session to announce the formation of a group and describe the task before them.

A Internet listserve was created (<http://www.onelist.com/subscribe.cgi/GayMensHealthSummit>) to keep up with planning for next year's conference and track other

gay men's health news. Groups also formed to work on needs assessment at the local regional and national levels, develop a gay men's health publication, formulate public policy, establish a research clearinghouse, and pursue several other matters.

In the words of closing plenary panel member Doneley Meris, from the Lesbian and Gay Community Services Center in New York City, "the only thing left is to take this all back to our home areas, and continue to keep the multi-cultural, multi-issue focus that we initiated here." ▼

Julie Boler is a freelance writer

STAY IN SAN FRANCISCO FOREVER

Personalize your own niche in this architectural gem. Pre-arrange with Michele Carondelet

The San Francisco Columbarium
One Loraine Court
415-752-7891

FREE BASIC DENTAL SERVICES AVAILABLE IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR PEOPLE WITH HIV AND AIDS

(Funded through the City and County of San Francisco under CARE Title 1)

Persons must qualify and document eligibility to receive CARE Title 1 services (letter of HIV diagnosis, residency in San Francisco, and demonstrate financial need). A complete list of requirements is available at the office during the times listed below.

Community Dental Care, Inc.

2460 Mission Street, Suite #102
(near 21st and Mission)
(415) 970-8696

Office hours: M-F, 8:30 am to noon, and 1:00pm to 5:00pm

*Not all dental services are covered. Details of program available from office staff during business hours

Get the BAY AREA REPORTER

Be assured of getting a copy of the Bay Area Reporter every week by having it delivered right to your mailbox!

PAYMENT

- ☐ Check or Money Order
☐ Visa
☐ MasterCard

POSTAGE FEES

- ☐ 3 months, 13 issues: \$35.00
☐ 6 months, 26 issues: \$65.00
☐ One year, 52 issues: \$125.00

Non-refundable postage fees. Domestic rates

Name

Address

City

State

Zip

CREDIT CARD INFO:

Card Number

Expiration Date

Signature

Name

MAIL TO: Bay Area Reporter, 395 Ninth St., San Francisco, CA 94103

The fast lane

by Jim Provenzano

Hightail it to the Sunset District this weekend for Swim SF '99. Over 200 swimmers are expected to compete in the first Tsunami-sponsored, Bay Area sanctioned swim meet since Gay Games II.

Gay and lesbian swimmers from Seattle, Los Angeles, Ann Arbor, and even Paris will compete in lane events, as well as a bit of water polo.

Meet director Joe Healy mentioned that while sponsored by Tsunami, Swim SF '99 is a regulated Pacific Masters Swim event, not an International Gay & Lesbian Aquatics (IGLA) event, and not only gay, but definitely gay and lesbian-populated.

Part of the problem of having a swim meet anywhere is making sure the facilities are up to par for competitors. According to Healy, if Gay Games or a large IGLA meet were to return to San Francisco, he said "It would have to be at Stanford," which has one of few Olympic-scale pools.

However, with enough community support, Healy hopes to make this an annual meet, and St. Ignatius' pool is perfect for this event.

Captain kudos

One swimmer to watch is Lisa Congden. A swimmer since age 8 in her native San Jose, "It's really big there," Congden competed in high school, but left swimming in college. When she returned to the Bay Area to live in San Francisco, after a 10-year hiatus, she joined Team Tsunami. By then she had also come out.

"I started in the slower lanes, then moved up," she recalls, noting that she's now swimming faster than in high school. "I was less informed about technique, ei-

ther from the coaching or not listening to the coaching."

At the recent IGLA meet in Atlanta, Congden won three silver medals (4X100 mixed relay, 400 free, 50 free) and a gold (4X50 freestyle women's relay). She also took a gold in Butterfly at Gay Games V. She cites Tsunami coach Kevin Williams and former coach Todd Hill as a couple of the inspirational people who helped her regain her skills.

She also credits Team Tsunami with making new friends. "Tsunami has a reputation for being social as well as a good team. It's really a big part of my life." Congden was team captain last year.

Congden said that "Atlanta did a fabulous job of recruiting women" for their championships. However, less than hoped for numbers "may be the expense of travel," but still more women are always encouraged to join up.

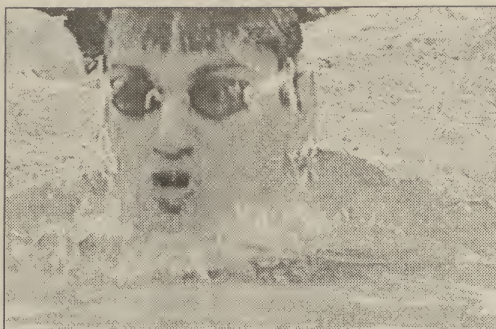
Flamingsgo-go

Originally from Philadelphia, swimmer, administrator and occasional Pink Flamingos choreographer Brian Fitzgibbons has since served as a Tsunami president, achieving success in "trying to keep population growing for the team. After Gay Games 1994 things dropped off a bit. We're working to attract more swimmers, particularly women."

In addition to announcing, Fitzgibbons will be competing in the 50-meter Butterfly.

So, how does a 43-year-old swimmer feel about competing?

"Am I competitive? Yes! At this age I've got some of my best times." A swimmer since age 5, he credits being out as part of his improvement, but found that as a teen swimming helped safely distract him and others from the issues of his being gay. "It becomes your excuse to not date," he said. "You become accepted in other ways. Peo-



One of the many Tsunami swimmers at the recent IGLA meet.

ple don't care if you're not dating."

But in a case of 'coulda been' in the dating department, one of his current teammates, multi-medalist and fellow San Franciscan Bart McDermott, was also a gay teenage swimmer, according to Fitzgibbons. "It turns out we swam in high school together on competing Catholic league teams."

Donating divers

Project Open Hand will benefit from sponsorship dollars. Healy said how folks on the team

went out and asked for sponsorships, including 3Com, Palm Computing, and Dottie's True Blue Cafe. They raised \$3,700 for Project Open Hand.

"We really have directed ourselves to become more community minded," Fitzgibbons said. "We're focusing on swim-a-thons for some other organizations. We've grown and started to focus our energies." A recent fundraiser was the successful Swim Against Hate, which last year raised thousands of dollars for Wyoming

Toni Atkins

◀ page 23

was reluctant about running," Steiner said, "and saw herself as a behind-the-scenes type of person." But once Atkins had committed herself, Steiner said, she jumped into it with enthusiasm. But "Toni is low-key, humble and even-keeled," Steiner added.

Atkins is "definitely not a reluctant candidate," Steiner said. "And she is the best candidate, not just the 'lesbian candidate.' She is always listening, absorbing and acting. She's involved in real hands-on work."

Portantino said "with Kehoe's first race there was a tremendous amount of support from our community because it was history - our first chance to elect an open lesbian in San Diego. It's going to be our job to create that

kind of excitement and enthusiasm again, this time for Toni." ▼

Contributions are limited to \$250 for the March 7 primary, and \$250 for the general election November 2000. Only contributions from individuals are allowed under campaign laws. The campaign headquarters can be contacted at: Toni Atkins for City Council, 2936 Lincoln Avenue, Suite 242, San Diego, CA 92104; (619) 297-9009, fax: (619) 234-2679, e-mail: toni2000@aol.com.

Contributions can also be sent to Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, 1012 14th Street NW, Suite 1000, Washington, D.C. 20005 but cannot be specified for any particular candidate. The Victory Fund website is: www.victoryfund.org.

groups in response to the murder of Matthew Shepard.

"It's amazing how many people are open to providing support," Healy said. Some of his co-workers even sent fundraising letters to their friends.

Friday's Swim SF '99 activities include a welcome and registration party at Harvey's on Castro & 18th Street from 7 to 11 p.m.

Saturday's swimming events start promptly at 8 a.m. and continue through the day. Water polo starts at 2 p.m. Evening activities will include hosted dinners and special discount passes to a few nightclubs, including Club Universe.

The meet takes place at St. Ignatius Pool, 2001 37th Avenue and Rivera, in San Francisco's Sunset District. Take the L Taraval, get off at Taraval and walk three blocks to Rivera. ▼

For more info, call (415) 487-6614, or visit their website at www.sftsunami.org.

OutRight

◀ page 11

ity for us in the law or in our lives if we do not make coming out our First Commandment. All the domestic partners' ordinances, all the federal civil rights bills, and all the protest marches in the world will not free us if we do not wrest bigotry from its grip on the hearts of the Truly Uninformed. ▼

Dale Carpenter, an attorney, serves on the national Board of Directors of the Log Cabin Republicans. He is the winner of two Vice Versa awards for excellence in gay writing. He can be reached care of this publication or at OutRight@aol.com. For more OutRight, visit www.planetout.com.

HIVCare Research Center

Offering **State-of-the-Art** Treatments For People with HIV

For newly diagnosed people

- 1 vs. 2 protease inhibitors, plus D4T and 3TC
- Either Crixivan or Viracept plus Viracept
- 24-week study
- Free lab tests and study medications

For people who have taken Crixivan or Viracept and have detectable viral loads

- Either Crixivan or Viracept plus Agenerase (141) plus Ziagen (1592) plus 3TC
- 48-week study
- Free lab tests and study medications

For people who have taken Crixivan or Norvir and have detectable viral loads

- Viracept +/- Fortovase plus hydroxyurea, plus NNRTI (Virmune or Sustiva) plus ddI or D4T
- 48-week study
- Free lab tests

2 short-term studies, compensation provided

- Paldesine, a promising new drug
- 6- to 8-week study
- Compensation \$325-375 at completion
- More than 300 CD4 cells

- AG1549, a promising new nonnucleoside
- Only people now taking Viracept, 3TC and AZT/D4T
- 6- to 8-week study
- Compensation \$600 at completion

For people with CD4 cells between 50-300

- IL-2 (interleukin 2, T-cell growth factor)
- 4- to 6-year study
- Free IL-2 and lab tests

For people on antivirals with anemia

- Procrit (a red blood cell growth factor)
- Hemoglobin less than 11
- Procrit provided
- 16-week study

For people with advanced KS

- A new anti-angiogenesis drug SU5416
- Starves KS lesions
- May help individuals with KS swelling
- Compensation provided

HIVCare is a clinical research program of Saint Francis Memorial Hospital. For more information, please call **Mark Bowers** at 415-353-6215.

HEALTH RESOURCES

COMMUNITY HEALTH LISTINGS

Send health resource listings to:
Community Health
Bay Area Reporter
395 Ninth Street
San Francisco, CA 94103

ACT UP/Golden Gate
Self-empowerment for AIDS treatment options. Gen'l mgs. Tues, 7:30pm; treatment issues every other Thurs, 7:30pm. 592 Castro, 252-9200.

ADD Support Group
Informal support group for gays and lesbians with Attention Deficit Disorder. Call Chuck, 282-7983.

AIDS Benefits Counselors
Professional review and counseling about benefits for people with AIDS/HIV+. Free. For intake scheduling, screening, referral, call 558-9845.

AIDS Emergency Fund
Provides financial assistance to people with disabling HIV. Office volunteers needed for day shifts. Call 558-6999.

AIDS Support Group
2+ years since diagnosis. No charge, fees paid by Most Holy Redeemer AIDS Resource Group. Thursdays, 1pm. For intake call 552-7517.

Alternative Family Project
"We Are Family," on-going support group for gay men. Tues, & Thurs, 7pm. Call for no-fee intake. 436-9600.

Breast Cancer Action
Carries the voices of people affected by breast cancer to inspire and compel the changes necessary to end the breast cancer epidemic. For info, call 243-9301.

Center for Special Problems
Groups for people with HIV: drop-in for women, women's therapy group, co-ed drop-in and psycho educational group. 1700 Jackson. Call for info: 292-1500.

CHANGES Project
(A Coping Skills Program), UCSF research project: ways to deal with stress of HIV epidemic. HIV+ gay men call: 597-1969.

Coming out support group for women
Meets Weds, 7:30-9pm at New Leaf, 1853 Market. All women questioning their sexuality welcome. Info: Lynne, 626-7000.

Coming out support group for men
Meets Weds, 6-7:30pm at New Leaf, 1853 Market St. Men of all ages welcome. Facilitated by Kirk Hinman, Ph.D. Info: 626-7000.

Community United Against Violence
Provides services for LGBT victims of domestic violence and hate crimes. Also needs volunteer counselors on 24-hour crisis line. Call Nhu at 777-5500. For emergency 24-hour crisis line, call 333-HELP.

Crystal Meth Anonymous
Meetings every: Wed, 8pm at The Meeting Place, 1874 Market; Sat, 9pm, and Sun, 6pm at 529 Clayton. Hotline: 647-5933.

Drug Detox Program
Outpatient, medical drug detox, HIV acute care, counseling and education, free. Haight Ashbury Free Clinics, 529 Clayton. Call Hector, 565-1309.

Gay Dads
Gather to talk about your kids, lovers, ex's, etc. Joel Wechsler, MFCC. Alternative Family Project. 436-9000.

Gay & Lesbian Asylum Project
Seeks volunteer to coordinate outreach to immigrants with asylum claims based on sexual orientation. Call Aaron Myers, 641-9276.

Gay/Lesbian Christian Scientists
Sharing support, insight, metaphysical science. Meets 2nd Monday of month. Info: Craig, 281-0636.

Gay Young Spirit
A new spiritual/social group for gay men in their 20s & 30s, meets alternate Tues, 7:15pm, in SF. Call 703-7181.

Hepatitis B Testing
And vaccinations for young (15-23) gay and bisexual men. Free. Berkeley Free Clinic, 2339 Durant Ave., Berkeley. Sun, 5-7pm. (510) 644-0425.

Hepatitis C Helpline
Peer support for persons afflicted with hep C. Call 834-4100.

HIV Advocacy Network
Grassroots organizing project of SF AIDS Foundation: phone/fax free action alerts, government lobbying, HIV Policy Watch newsletter. 487-3034.

HIVCare
Offers the latest clinical trials from community-based trial network, access to experimental treatments. Free to participants. Info: Sher Vieira, 353-6215.

HIV Drop-In Groups
Co-ed for people with HIV, Wed, 8pm. Women with HIV, Tues, 10am. Center for Special Problems, 1700 Jackson. 292-1543.

HIV Group
Weekly group for men with HIV/AIDS. Sixteen Wed. afternoons from 1-2:30pm. Free to SF residents. Center for Special Problems, 1700 Jackson. 292-1534.

HIV Positive Youth Group
18-25, meets every Wed, 7pm. ARIS, 1550 The Alameda, Suite 100, San Jose. (408) 293-2747.

Lesbians with Cancer
12 week psycho-social support group at the Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services, 1748 Market. Classes are offered on a sliding scale basis. Call 565-7672 x370 to register.

Lyon-Martin Women's Health Center
Quality, affordable, non-judgmental medical care to women by women, special outreach to lesbian and bisexual women. 1748 Market St. 565-7667.

LYRIC's After School
Drop-in for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning youth, 18 and under. Daily, 3-6pm, M-F. 123 Collingwood. 703-6150.

New Leaf
Provides substance abuse, mental health, HIV and senior services for les, gay, bi, and trans community. Info/intake: 626-7000.

Pacific Center
Counseling services, social groups for queer youth & adults, sliding scale. 2712 Telegraph, Berkeley. (510) 548-8283.

The Positive Center
Free weekly workshops in acupuncture, nutrition, more for Marin CO. residents w/HIV. 535 San Anselmo Ave., San Anselmo. 456-8065.

Project Open Hand
Provides free prepared meals, groceries and nutrition counseling for people with symptomatic and disabling HIV disease. Call 1-800-551-6325 for intake information.

Prostate Cancer Resource
Provides the latest treatment information, education, referrals, free P.S.A. screening test for low income men in the community. Call 1-888-983-7833 or e-mail: pc-res@inter.net.

Proyecto Contralida Por Vida
Counseling and workshops on HIV and other life issues for gay, les, bi and trans Latinos/as. 864-7278.

Psychic Horizons
Free introductory meditation class Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. 2240 Geary Blvd. 346-7906.

Q Action
Work with other queer boys to stop HIV transmission among young gay and bi men. Info: 431-2ACT.

Qi Gong for Health
\$1 per class. Mon, Wed, 5:30pm. 50 Oak St., 3rd fl. 255-0265.

Question HIV
Support group, share stories, every Mon, 7pm. Call for location and info. 252-1381.

Radical Women
Business mtg, 2nd & 4th Thurs. of the month. 7pm. Valencia Hall, 523-A Valencia St. 864-1278.

re plen ish
Offers individual and group retreats for professional caregivers in the HIV community. Info: Kay, 864-5140 or write PO Box 410592, SF 94141.

Richard M. Cohen Residence
SF's first assisted-living residence for people disabled by AIDS, needs volunteers (call 558-0503) and household donations (call 282-6209).

Richmond Area Multi-Services in SF
Offers low fee counseling/psychotherapy services to sexual minorities, people with HIV/AIDS. Support/therapy groups for family/loved ones of PWAs in English, Russian, Cantonese, Vietnamese. 668-5955.

Sadhana Brothers
Gay/bi men's Hindu/Yogic fellowship, meets monthly for chanting, meditation, informal discussion. Call Ed, 647-4388.

San Mateo County AIDS Program
Provides prevention, health care, services and advocacy. Volunteer resources coordinator. (650) 573-2488. Information: (650) 573-2588.

SCA
Sexual Compulsive Anonymous meets Mon. at 7:15pm & Fri. at 6pm, 1874 Market. 1-800-977-HEAL.

Senior Central
Provides info, referral and assistance to gay and lesbian seniors. Free and confidential services. 360 4th St. 777-3233.

Shanti
Provides practical assistance to people living with AIDS. Volunteer training provided. For info on services, call 674-4700; to volunteer, call 674-4722. New location is in the Project Open Hand building, 730 Polk Street, at Ellis.

Shanti's El Programa Latino
Provides emotional and peer counseling and practical support to Latino men, women, adolescents and children infected with and affected by HIV. For more information, call 674-4700.

Southern Alameda HIV Services
Tri-City Health Center provides comprehensive HIV services, with offices in Fremont and Hayward, (510) 713-6670 and 727-9233, respectively. Spanish and Tagalog spoken.

STD Check-ups
Free testing site given by City Clinic, 2nd Thurs. of each month, 8:30-10:30pm. Blow Buddies, 933 Harrison. 863-4323.

St. Francis Senior Center
Invites friends to weekly gatherings, Wed. 10am-2pm. St. Francis Lutheran Church, 152 Church. 621-2635.

Tambayan
Support/social group for queer pinoy and their friends. Every Thurs, 7pm at Filipino Task Force on AIDS, 1540 Market St., Suite 325. 703-9880.

Transgenders in Transition
Alternative Family Project's ongoing support group for transgender and transsexual folk. Thurs, 7:30pm. 425 Divisadero, Suite 203b. 436-9000.

Transitions
Nonprofit consulting service: guidance, referrals and resources for the dying and their caregivers. Call David Cardenas, 664-6975.

Transcendental Meditation Center
Has scholarships for low income people with HIV. Call Paul Brown at 931-1621.

Transgender Support Group
Multiracial rap group, every first Monday of month, 6:30pm. Call Adela Holyday, Proyecto ContraSIDA Por Vida, 864-7278.

UCSF AIDS Health Project
Offers: (1) ongoing groups for persons diagnosed with KS; (2) Tues. night support group for women who are caregivers or family members of PWAs; (3) support group for HIV+ African-American heterosexual men. Info: 476-3902.

Veterans Affairs Medical Center SF
Seeks volunteers to join its AIDS/ARC Volunteer Program. Volunteers visit patients in hospital and help in simple care tasks. Volunteers for AIDS Home Care and Phone Buddy Program are also needed. Contact: Ronald Hunt, AIDS Volunteer Program Coordinator, VA Medical Center, 4150 Clement St., 750-2144.

WillCare Hospice
& Home Care offers free 20-hr. training course for volunteers. 2001 Gateway, San Jose. Call (408) 467-0777.

Civil rights bill

◀ page 5

room," McBride added. "They bus 'em in, they drive 'em in ... they take up all of the seats and make their presence felt. It's intimidating. So let's turn the tables."

Some activists feel that such a show of strength is important after the defeat earlier this legislative session of openly lesbian Assemblywoman Sheila Kuehl's AB 222, a bill designed to protect lesbian and gay students from harassment. Religious conservatives vigorously lobbied against that bill. Tuesday's hearings will be the most significant gay rights test since AB 222's defeat.

The Senate Judiciary Committee will be holding hearings on three separate bills that may affect lesbian and gay rights. The first, Villaraigosa's AB 1001, would add sexual orientation to the Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA), strengthening present legal protections in weaker Labor Code provisions. Kuehl's AB 1670 would also clarify and strengthen FEHA. And AB 1541 would limit the exemptions from civil rights laws for religious hospitals to those whose primary purpose is to provide

health care to members of those faiths.

"The first two bills, AB 1001 and AB 1670, are being linked together by the opposition as virtual spawn of the devil and part of the 'homosexual agenda,'" McBride noted.

"I'm going ... a lot of people are going," Esther Lee, co-chair of the California Alliance for Pride and Equality (CAPE), told the Bay Area Reporter. CAPE is California's statewide queer lobbying group and the successor to the LIFE Lobby.

"CAPE is taking a lead in getting the word out," Lee added. "We're hoping to have a big LGBT presence at the hearing." ▼

The Senate Judiciary Committee meeting starts at 1:30 p.m. in Room 4203, State Capitol, Sacramento. Parking is available at the 10th and L Street garage across the street from the Capitol. For more information on the hearing or the bills, contact McBride at (916) 319-2470 or laurie.mcbride@asm.ca.gov. For information on Bay Area plans for participation, contact CAPE co-vice-chair Marty Martinez at (510) 663-7956.

did not see Mora shake Wilmes. However, Vanegas also testified she didn't see Mora punch Wilmes as she sat in their car across the street rolling up a window. By the time she looked over, she testified, Mora was standing by Wilmes. The two left the scene and police arrested Mora after tracking down the car.

A homeless man, Michael Gillespie, also witnessed the incident and testified Mora hit him before the alleged attack on Wilmes. Gillespie got the license plate number of the car and turned the information over to police. ▼

The trial starts at 9 a.m. at the Hall of Justice, 850 Bryant Street, in Dept. 22; it will be moved once a courtroom is assigned.

Mora trial

◀ page 12

Dock, a gay bar on Mission Street, on March 12, 1998. Wilmes, 45, died of head injuries two days later. According to the testimony of Carroll, who was with Wilmes at the time of the attack, Mora yelled variations of the phrase "Do you want a piece of me, faggot" four times during the few minutes leading up to and following Mora's single punch to Wilmes's mouth.

At the preliminary hearing last year, Chaitin said Carroll's testimony about the shaking showed there was "sufficient implied malice" to make Mora stand trial on the murder charge.

Other witnesses, including Mora's girlfriend Silvia Vanegas, testified at the hearing that they

Quest
CLINICAL RESEARCH

T-20

Fusion Inhibitor for HIV

Now enrolling a research study for HIV+ individuals with NO prior non-nucleoside therapy and viral load between 400 and 100,000

Call Dr. Jacob Lalezari
Quest Clinical Research
(415) 353-0800
drjay@questclinical.com

CLASSIFIEDS

ROOMMATES

CONDO/S.F.

3 Bed 2 ba, plush carpet, full kitchen, washer/dryer, on-site parking, alarm, Muni, view/Candlestick Park/Bay. Quiet household. Must see to appreciate, over 25 N/S, W/O, Maximum 3 males, 1 bedroom left, no pets. \$525/utl incl. first/last/dep. Available Now.
(415) 647-5566 or Pager (800) 851-4832

SSF, \$500, 1/3 utility, garage \$75 room with shared bath, gay household, pool, spa 650-872-0916

Fremont shr home \$450 + 1/3 utls Pool/Wa/Dry/NoSmk (510) 792-4404

ROOMMATE WANTED
Professional GM nonsmoker, no drugs share large 3Br/ 2 1/2Ba house w/ kitchen W/d Cable \$700. 415 467-7826

Redwood City shr home own bath off st prk w/d yd no smk \$500 + 1/2 util. Greg 650-568-9619

HUGE HOME TO SHARE!
3 prof. GWM seeking a 4th to share huge 5 bdrm 4.5 ba home. In St Francis Wood, (10 minutes from Castro), home has ample st. pkg, ocean views, fp, decks, patios, tv room, cable, w/d; yard, designer deco home. \$850/mo. Call Earl, 415-586-0818.

Oakland Hills view home to share w/3M 1Bed Rm 550/mo 510-531-6212

ROOM FOR RENT SAN LEANDRO
Share luxury condo with GWM/Cat close to 580/880, 1 blk to BART. Balcony, garage, W/D, DW, pool, fireplc, Jacuzzi. Perfect for SF/Oak/Berk commuter. \$600/Mo. Call (510) 357-5920 for apptmt.

KILLER PANO OCEAN VU!
Roommate 2 share quiet 1600SF, 2 story, 2BR 2.5BA, 1xry twtnhs. Pacifica. FP, pool/spa, Gar, hi lr cell, terr, DK, skylits, grdn W/D in unit. \$1050 650-738-1949

\$435. Colma/Daly City. House with yard to share with two males and a dog. Clean, walk to Colma BART, washer/dryer, available 9/1/99. (650) 578-3675. Need to have verifiable income.

Vallejo sunny old hs near Bay, ferry. Garden avail. Views. \$400 N/S, D, pets. Mark (707) 644-6234

Dolores Pk share 2BR 1BA 1/2 Utls \$600 Smk OK DWFpl Rob 336-7426



JOBS OFFERED

RETAIL SALES

Bay Area's #1 Adult Video/Gift Stores
Sneak Friendly Aggressive,
Well-Groomed, Sales Clerk. \$6 PH.
Health, 401K + Commissions.
Excellent Adv. Coppt.
Apply 960 Folsom Street • S.F.
2408 Telegraph Avenue • Oakland

AMBASSADOR PRIVATE SECURITY NOW HIRING! 822-8811

Interesting facilities and food service company looking for help we need move coordinators, mailroom staff, receptionists, handypersons, cashiers, drivers; openings in San Francisco, East Bay, South Bay, Peninsula. Full benefits; qualifications: honest, reliable, hardworking. Contact Yvette (510) 655-6363

DOORMAN BARBACK
Loading Dock. Full leather required for employment Call 415 864-1525 for interview.

VIDEO AUDITIONS

Boys & Men Wanted
Experienced or not. All types
Shooting Every Week
Call Allan Alan Pictures today!
415-346-9165

DANCERS WANTED

FLEX HOURS. TRY IT OUT.
Call Chris (415) 673-3511

TRAVEL AGENT

SF fin dist. Corporate Apollo
Agency. Min 1yr exp. M-F hrs good
benefits. Fax resume to 415-296-9226



OFFICE ASSISTANT

FULL TIME/PART TIME. DETAIL ORIENTED AND EXCELLENT PHONE SKILLS REQUIRED. COMPUTER SKILLS AND CAR A PLUS. GREAT BENEFITS. FAX RESUME (415) 821-4722

Adult Video Co. seeks driver/ warehouseman. Must have valid cdl clean DMV. Must be bondable full time M-F, good benefits call Martin 415 431-7722 ext 607 or fax 415 431-0127 or email martin@falconstudios.com

CAMPAIGN AGAINST KNIGHT
Initiative hiring state field dir & organizers. Fax resume 415-227-1029

WANTED 1 CARPENTER & 1 PAINTER

Some experience required.
Reliable transportation a must.
(510) 237-0900

NANNY

Experienced and loving nanny needed for active family w/3 toddlers. Work in position w/at-home mom & full-time nanny. Flexible days and hours. Frequent weekend trips w/family. Ideal position for graduate student or substitute teacher seeking significant part-time employment. Earn \$700/week, plus benefits. Call Katy at 800-509-2576 or fax 800-672-6241 or email: search12@execpc.com

Have you thought about getting a part time job lately? How about a job that also helps out your community? And can be FUN! Good communication skills, enthusiasm & the ability to work well within a team required. Come by and pick up an application or drop off your resume after 10pm on Thurs-Sat, or after 8pm on Sundays. Health benefits available.

BLOW BUDDIES

933 Harrison St. near 5th

JOBS WANTED

MALE RN AVAILABLE
Seeking P/T flexible private duty/homecare. * 415-479-9806

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

\$1000 WEEKLY FROM HOME!
FOR INFO SEND \$4+SASE to:
Domatio Seven Enterprises
PO Box 318035-Bar
San Francisco, CA 94131-8035

LEGAL NOTICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The San Francisco Police Department seeks Requests for Proposals (RFP's) for statistical support services in the development and scoring of all phases of the Q-50 Police Sergeant examination.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal, and you would like a copy of the RFP, please contact:

Terri Brady

Hall of Justice, Rm 577-13
850 Bryant Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 553-1805

The deadline for proposals is September 7, 1999 at 12:00 noon. MBE and WBE proposals are strongly encouraged.

STATMENT FILE NO. 233111

The following person(s) are doing business as, Silver Cafe. 4300 Mission Street, San Francisco, Ca. 94112. This business is conducted by an individual, signed Linda Monica Year. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the above listed fictitious business name or names on N/A. The statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on 07/12/99.
JULY 22, 29, AUGUST 5, 12, 1999

STATMENT FILE NO. 233150

The following person(s) are doing business as, 1. Kaali 2. Ori Tahiti 3. Triton Pacific 2200 Sacramento Street Apt. #1302, San Francisco, Ca. 94115. This business is conducted by an individual, signed Van C.V. Francisco. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the above listed fictitious business name or names on July 14, 1999. The statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on 07/14/99.
JULY 22, 29, AUGUST 5, 12, 1999

STATMENT FILE NO. 233707

The following person(s) are doing business as, Access Referral Service/ Center for Philosophical Practice. 175 Blumey Street #125 San Francisco, Ca. 94107. This business is conducted by an individual, signed Christopher J. McCullough. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the above listed fictitious business name or names on 8/4/99. The statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on 08/04/99.
AUGUST 12, 19, 26, SEPT. 2, 1999

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO: FILE NO: 305499
In the Matter of the Application of David

Edward Firth For Change of Name. The application of David Edward Firth for change of name, having been filed in court, and it appearing from said application that David Edward Firth has filed an application proposing that his name be changed to Sara Jane Firth. Now therefore, it is hereby ordered and directed, that all persons interested in said matter do appear before this Court in department X-4/206 on the 16th day of September 1999, at 9:00am., of said day to show cause why the application for change of name should not be granted.
AUGUST 12, 19, 26, SEPT. 2, 1999

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO: FILE NO: 305498

In the Matter of the Application of Robert Livingston For Change of Name. The application of Robert Livingston for change of name, having been filed in court, and it appearing from said application that Robert Livingston has filed an application proposing that his name be changed to Kai Robert Livingston Now therefore, it is hereby ordered and directed, that all persons interested in said matter do appear before this Court in department X-4/206 on the 20th day of September 1999, at 9:00am., of said day to show cause why the application for change of name should not be granted.
AUGUST 12, 19, 26, SEPT. 2, 1999

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
To Whom It May Concern: The Name of the Application is: Massey Joseph Sullivan, Massey Yen Thi. The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverages to sell alcoholic beverages at: 362 Ninth Street San Francisco, Ca. 94103. For the following type of License: On Sale Beer & Wine Eating Place.
AUGUST 12, 19, 26, 1999

COUNSELING

Healing the Pain
Calming the Anger
Quieting the Fear

Psychotherapy with a Purpose



Michael Brennan, MFCC

Convenient Castro location • 415-861-2106

Gaylesta

a non-profit organization of Bay Area psychotherapists, provides free, confidential referrals to licensed psychotherapists in the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community. If you are looking for a qualified therapist in the greater Bay Area, call and we will provide timely referrals to meet your specific needs. Paid for by participating licensed psychotherapists.

GAYLESTA

Therapist Referral Service.
(888) 869-4993 (toll free)

JOHN GROSSBERG, MFT

#MFC34782 / Japanese Spoken.
Individual & Cpls Therapy
Relationships / Grief & Loss
Abuse & Recovery Issues
LEATHER / SM & ALL ETHNIC & SEXUAL IDENTITIES WELCOME
In SF: (415) 970-1020

Counseling for all Lifestyles.
Carolee Brady MFT Intern supervised by Sheila Joshi, PhD. Sliding scale.
Lv. msg. 415-905-4190

HEALTH MATTERS

PERSONAL FITNESS TRAINING
Beginner, Intermediate levels
Achieve cardiovascular/muscular gains. Look and feel great!
Free consultation. 510-525-7351

WILLIAM G. SUEDEKAMP, MFT
DEPRESSION/ANXIETY • GRIEF/LOSS
LIFE TRANSITIONS • SELF-ESTEEM
RELATIONSHIP ISSUES • ADDICTION
ABUSE ISSUES (lic#MFC34762)
S.F. 415-487-6682

MIXED MEN'S GROUP

Issues of relationship and personal development.
Free initial consultation.

Ron Rohlfes MFT
Lic # MFC 34396
415-487-6673

MARCIA IRIS BAUM, LCSW

18 YEARS EXPERIENCE
• ANGER MANAGEMENT
• PERSONAL GROWTH
• BREAKUPS & LOSS
• INDIVIDUALS & COUPLES
• TG/TS ISSUES
SF 824.0580

RON FOX, PH.D., MFCC

COUNSELING & PSYCHOTHERAPY
INDIVIDUALS • COUPLES • GROUPS

- Relationships • Self-esteem
- Intimacy • Depression
- Coming out issues • Sexuality
- HIV/AIDS concerns • Anxiety
- Co-dependency • Stress
- ACA/dysfunctional family issues

AFFORDABLE THERAPY
INSURANCE/SLIDING SCALE
License #MFC 22194
SAN FRANCISCO 751-6714

PSYCHOTHERAPY



Individuals & Couples

- Improve Self-Esteem •
- Develop Meaningful Relationships •
- Master Self-Defeating Patterns •
- Overcome Anxiety & Depression •
- Move beyond Fear & Grief •
- Become More Fully Alive •

GAY MEN'S THERAPY GROUPS
In-depth, on-going, interactive & directed.
San Francisco, Monday or Wednesday Eve.
(415) 431-3220
Over 23 Years Serving the Bay Area

HIV RESEARCH STUDIES

UCSF/SFGH HELLERSTEIN RESEARCH GROUP

Are you on, or considering protease inhibitor therapy?
Have you developed a "paunch"?
Have you had no change in body fat?

We are conducting studies in men and women to understand the reason for protease paunch and to evaluate a new treatment option.

If interested, call Ali Strawford or Mark Christiansen
(415) 476-3669 #2 Reimbursement provided.

TECH SUPPORT

WANT HELP WITH YOUR MAC?

- Prompt
- Friendly
- Thorough

Rick 415.821.1792

Computer Help

Windows-Macintosh-Internet
Serving SF & the Peninsula.
\$35 1st hr, \$25 add'l hrs
Joe (415) 431-6766

Macintosh Help

- Set Up and training
- Troubleshooting
- Upgrades
- AOL & Internet

• 14 years with Apple •
Steve Kolesar (415) 821-2012

LEGAL SERVICES

Personal
Business
Bankruptcy
Chapter 13
Chapter 11

Financial Problems?

Free Initial Consultation
Over 25 Years
Experiences
Over 3000 Cases filed

864-0449
Walter R. Nelson
Law Office

LAW OFFICES
THOMAS G. BEST

One Embarcadero Center
Telephone: (415) 956-7654

Wrongful Termination
Discrimination
Personal Injury
Wills and Trusts

email: Bestlaw1@aol.com

BANKRUPTCY

- ★ Stop Lawsuits and Foreclosures
- ★ Free Initial Consultation
- ★ Legal Fees from \$195
- ★ Payments Arranged
- ★ 10 Years Experience

Stop Creditor Harrassment!

863-1417
Scott V. Smith, Attorney
Convenient Castro-Market Location

Mediation/Arbitration for Individuals and businesses. CCDS offers low-cost low-stress dispute resolution that is legally binding. Call 415-865-2520 or e-mail Cboneck@ccds.org

Having problems with your home personal computer?
Need help using Windows* software?
Wondering how to have more fun with the Internet?
Ask That Nice Man!

415/NICEMAN
(415)642-3626
e-mail: niceman@nman.com
WWW: http://www.nman.com

remain.com

installation • tutoring • troubleshooting
WE'LL FIX YOUR COMPUTER AT YOUR HOME OR OFFICE
FIRST HOUR FREE for new clients
888-221-5892 • www.sf-remain.com
Mac & PC Member: GSBA

INSTRUCTION

PARLA ITALIANO!
ITALIAN CLASSES

• Mini Groups
• Private, Individual Lessons
• Pleasure, Vacation/Travel
• Business Conversation

Native speaker with over 20 years experience teaching Italian & English as a second language.

\$25-30/session, textbook not included.
Prices & times flexible.

ANNA (510) 530-5782

Learn FRENCH

• All Levels • Individual Classes •

MARC GADELIN
Certified Teacher (415) 441-2062

HTTP://WWW

PRUDENTIAL WEST REALTY
Gay Owned/Operated
RUSSIAN RIVER
http://prudentialwestcounty.com

LOOKING FOR THE B.A.R. ON THE WEB...
http://www.ebar.com
http://www.gay.net/bar

WWW.RENTTECH.COM
Good dish on anyone in the leather community? HatchetQ@aol.com

FOR SALE

AFFECTIONATE MEN IN VINTAGE PHOTOGRAPHY
CALL 648-9223

UPKEEP

SHEILA'S REPAIRS

Foundation, Earthquake Retrofit, Dry Rot, Fire Damage
415.584.5669
Lic# 740887
Insured • Bonded

CAS CONTRUCTION Co

- Kitchen & Bath Specialists •
- Foundation Bolting, Capping & Raises •
- General Carpentry •

Lic. # 708239
Phone 863-9167

HANDY HANDYMAN

ACE Hardware

2075 Market/Church (415) 934-9010

Weekdays 7am-8pm Saturdays 9am - 8pm Sundays 10am - 5pm

Quality remodeling & Repair Services
Carpentry, Plumbing, Electrical
(415)406-3010

FREE ESTIMATES

ELECTRICIAN
(415) 722-7151

Lic# 760262 Bonded & Insured • Pgr 207-3615

ROBERT MILLER CONSTRUCTION
415-553-7712

- Additions
- Kitchens
- Baths
- Decks/Stairs
- Termite Repair
- Windows/Doors
- Tiling
- Dry Rot Repair
- Electrical & Plumbing
- Seismic Upgrades

Residential and Commercial

- Free Estimates • Dependable •
- References • Affordable •

State License # 631216
553-7712
Insured PL & PD

THE ELECTRICIAN

Victorian Specialist
Tract Lighting
Internal & External
Motion Detectors
Down Lights
Low Voltage Systems
Heating/Air Conditioning
Refrigeration

Lic#394787 • Bonded & Insured
(415) 252-8574
Serving our Community with pride and respect

BROOKLINE ARIES ELECTRIC

Good Service Guide approved for 7 years. Member National Electrical Contractors Association for 10 years. 30 years of expert trouble shooting and remodeling since 1955. Neat & clean work, plaster patching too! Small jobs & emergency calls quickly scheduled. 7 year guarantee. INSURED public liability & property damage. Bonded license #273651

239-5393

ALLEN'S PAINTING
Interior/Exterior
Free Estimates
Lic# 715240
415-752-0927

NEED A HOUSE DOCTOR?

ELECTRICAL • PLUMBING CARPENTRY/REMODELING • TILE

Phillip James
374-8983
Lic# 317425

ROOFER
415-791-2058

CAS PAINTING CO.
Quality Interior & Exterior
VACANCIES OUR SPECIALTY
•FREE ESTIMATES•
863-9167
Lic# 708239

Tile Works
Bathrooms • Kitchens
Entry Ways
Fireplace • Patio
Tile • Marble • Slate
Office (415) 759-1315
Pager (415) 978-6510

Drywall/plasterer/artistic detail
"faux" colored textures/finishes, sculpted walls-highest quality new/repair.
20 yrs.\$23Hr 995-4782

Ashfield Const.
Lic#731608

Foundations
Decks • Additions
Siding • Dryrot • Trim
Kitchen Remodeling

415.559.9557

NORTH CAL ROOFING
QUALITY ROOFING SINCE 1981

Roofs of all types

- Featuring Modified Single Ply Roofing For All Flat Roofs
- Gutters
- Skylights
- Siding
- Steep Shingle Work A Specialty

Insured PL & PD
State Lic# 569521
John Bailey
Owner, Operator

FREE ESTIMATES 333-3701

CARPENTRY
ALL PHASES • DRY ROT
(415) 621-1379
Wren

DELTA PAINTING
"For A Job Done Right"
Interior & Exterior
Residential & Commercial
FREE ESTIMATES
415-307-4351

CAS HARDWOOD CO.
Hardwood Floors Beautifully
Sanded, Stained, Finished
Quality Work • Free Estimate
863-9167
(Lic #708239)

Quality Carpentry
Decks, Stairs
Concrete & Fencing Works
Kitchen & Bath Remodel
Painting & Tile
Free Estimate **759-1315**

Try-Us Painting
Interior & Exterior
Free Estimates
(415) 824-1132

ARCHITECT SPECIALIZING IN CITY REHABS AND ADDITIONS
MIKE HAGER (415) 285-7409.
Steve the Carpenter 20 years of experience. * 415-255-7014

LIC. MOVERS

CELTIC MOVING & STORAGE
family Owned & Operated
offices • homes • apartments

WE ARE KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE BAY AREA FOR AFFORDABLE RATES & EXCELLENT SERVICE

822-0564 822-8519
Eve. 719-1790 fax 822-0483
Cal-T 188827 • Bonded & Insured PL & PD

BAY AREA REPORTER CLASSIFIEDS

Jack Trax

MOVING SPECIALIST
GAY OPERATED FOR OVER TWO DECADES
FREE ESTIMATES
PACKING • MOVING • STORAGE
(415) 821-4755
PIC #176418

Granny's Movers
Est. 1975

Moving & Storage
P.W.A. Discount
415-567-6146
510-832-1836
VISA • Mastercard
Cal P.U.T.C. 177142

CARTY MOVING & STORAGE
415-816-4592
415-831-8301

House, apts, office, pianos, packing.
Hoisting, load, unload rentals.
Free estimate. Free use of wardrobe boxes. References available. Student discounts.
C.P.U.C. T 189107 • Insured PL & PD

527K

CLASSIFIEDS

HAULING

HARDY'S HAULING

Big trucks small prices. Dump run 7 days a week. Fast and very reliable.
415-282-2733

EZ RELOCATION

HOME & OFFICE
415-252-5938 • PGR 415-597-1889

2Men Lg clean truck cheap 24hrs
Free est. -Louis 902-3229 E38

RELIABLE RELOCATIONS
Careful, Exp, Friendly, Encl. Trucks
Reas. Rates, \$m or Lg. Jobs 621-5164 E32

Basement, garage, storage etc sofas
appliances trash demo Lou 225-4637 E32

We offer you careful, friendly moving
service at affordable rates. Large en-
closed truck. No extra chgs. Reliable
Relocations (415) 621-5164 E33

Hauling, etc. 441-1054 Large truck!
Remove carpet, appliances, sofas... E40

The VanMan hauling \$15Hr 505-3940 E36

#1 Muse hauling \$15 hr 753-6585 E36

DAN THE MAN MOVING
Lg truck, crew, reliable *771-7514 E32

PLANNING A MOVE?
I help organize pack and move.
Moving consultant (650) 359-5122 E34

STRONG MAN AND TRUCK
\$20Hr * 800-332-8802
Pgr: 415-449-7189 E35

FINANCIAL SERVICES

W.E.L. Tax Services

You work hard for your
money, let us work smart to
help you keep it!

Bill Lentini
415-292-7589

NOTICES

GOT HAIR?

www.hairsaver.com 4 Propecia 4less E32

SERVICES



STEVEN UNDERHILL
PHOTOGRAPHY
415-978-2463

Gift Certificates Available
http://www.steven-underhill.com

CINDERELLA'S HOUSEKEEPING

• a referral agency •

Have your home serviced
by a caring, responsible, reliable,
professional.
Rest assured, there's a well estab-
lished agency standing right behind
them.

...call us for more information...

Gay owned and operated since 1984

415-401-7700

www.cinderellaagency.com

Gourmet Vegetarian Cuisine
Delivered to your doorstep
For monthly menu, Call:
JANE • 826-2133
www.sirius.com/~scottstf/jane.html E32

Carpentry, Electrical, Painting
Plumbing jobs, hauling. L.C. call
WREN*621-1379 E37

Carpet removal padding nailstrips
baseboards etc. molds Lou 225-4637 E32

Experienced house cleaning service
Also errands, laundry, garden
Efficient & Reliable * Charming
Call Silvio at 415-239-2937 E33

Great housecleaning! 8 years exp.
Reliable, exc refs. Also gardening &
housesitting. 505-8256 E32

PAINTING
In/Out, handyman. You name it and I
can probably do it! Yard care, gener-
al clean-up, regular service avail.
Specializing in rental property reno-
vation & clean up. Reg. Maint. Accts
welcome. SF-Bay area to Walnut
Creek. Free estimates. Bob
(707) 745-2023 E32

eco FRIENDLY house cleaner.

tracy (415) 550-6383
highly experienced
great references

CLEAN LIVING

Young Brazilian Man
Hard Working
Reliable References
General House Cleaning
Try & You Won't Be Sorry
AI (415) 567-6213
S.F. Area Only

Serving the Community
With Quality and Reliability



Lone Star Plumbing
BATHS • KITCHENS • CODE WORK • SPRINKLERS
COPPER WORK • REMODELING SPECIALISTS
SERVICE AND REPAIR
641-9234
STATE LIC. #43057

GARDENING & LANDSCAPING

Yard Cleaning • Hauling • Tree Care
Ph: (415) 552-8274 Pgr: (415) 597-1889



GREAT HOUSEKEEPER!!!
Efficient, honest, excellent refs. SF
440-8792. Leave message. E36

Cooking, shopping, laundry, bathing.
Reliable, Giovanni, 665-1542 E32

Superb houseclean, A-1 refs.
East Bay, Marin. 510/525-8321 E31

PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES
Regular service-move In-move outs
Excellent References
Equipment & supplies provided
Please call Doug Carpenter 415-775-1960 E32

CL CRAWFORD
Fast • Friendly • Reliable • Mobile Service
"The One To Pick"
415/621-0215
COMPUTER DISPATCH
SERVING SAN FRANCISCO SINCE 1986
Business • Residential • Auto
Lock Repairs • Installations
Rekeying • Master Key Systems

Rocky Crawford
Contractor Lic. #554283
Insured

ASA PRITCHET

Interior Painting
&
Wall Finishes
415-431-2556

Landscape Design & Construction

GAY OWNED AND OPERATED.
TWELVE YEARS EXPERIENCE
CREATING BEAUTIFUL RESIDENTIAL AND
COMMERCIAL GARDENS. SPECIALIZING IN
LOW-MAINTENANCE PLANTINGS AUTO-
MATIC IRRIGATION SYSTEMS, DECKS, HOT
TUBS & FENCES. OUTSTANDING REFER-
ENCES.
PLEASE CALL JIM LINK, M.L.A., LIC
#731605
@ (415) 282-0288

Quality House cleaning Kitchen and bath
polish wash and iron. Call
Jose 206 1844 E33

BASIC CLEAN \$35 WKLY
Once \$55 mop, dust, vac, bath,
kitchen, sheets, garbage since 1991.
Supplies furn. Call John 420-2926 E32

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Design & install amazing garden for
your pleasure. MLA * 334-3334

QUALITY • WALLPAPERING
...BY... MARCEL
415-929-1803 • FAX • 255-9964
FREE ESTIMATES E34

ROB'S CLEANING SERVICE

LICENSED • BONDED • INSURED

• Residential & Commercial
• Move Ins & Move Outs
• Full "Spring" Cleanings
• Construction Clean Ups
• Convenient Daily, Weekly
or Monthly Cleanings

Call Today For Your Free Estimate
We gladly accept Visa, Mastercard
& American Express cards.

415-861-1034
E-Mail: RobsClean@aol.com

584 Castro Street, #395
San Francisco, CA 94114

Tony's House Cleaning

Professional, Responsible, Reliable. Af-
fordable to your budget.

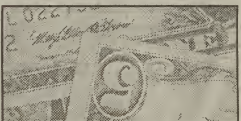
Please call for free estimate.
415-272-1222 In S.F. only.
"Optional in U"

HOUSECLEANING

Reliable German student will do
house cleaning and errands. Refs
avail. Call Frank @ 841-7795 E32

Handsome tanned clean-cut 37 y/o re-
sponsible WM runs errands do nude
house painting yardwork, shopping,
laundry, etc. 244-6262 E32

Nude Housecleaning young man, reli-
able w/refs. 7 days 399-9144 E32



BAY AREA REPORTER

CLASSIFIED ORDER FORM

Indicate
Type Style
Here ▼

X-BOLD Stops Here ▼

BOLD Stops Here ▼

CAPS Stop Here ▼

Regular Stops Here ▼

DEADLINE

NOON on MONDAY.
Payment must accompany ad.
No ads taken over the
telephone. If you have a
question, call 415.861.5019.
Display advertising rates
available upon request.

RATES

First line, Regular 4.50
All subsequent lines 3.00
CAPS double price
BOLD double price
X-BOLD triple price

PAYMENT

- ☐ Cash
☐ Personal Check
☐ Money Order
☐ Visa
☐ MasterCard

Minimum \$10 charge
on Visa and MasterCard.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

Card Number _____
Expiration Date _____
Signature _____
Name _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name _____ Telephone _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Number of Issues _____ Classification _____ Amount Enclosed _____

MAIL WITH PAYMENT TO:

BAY AREA
REPORTER
395 Ninth Street
San Francisco, CA
94103

OR FAX TO:
415.861.8144

ALTERNATIVES

Break Away From Alcohol, Drugs, Depression & Anxiety

New SF Bay Area Location



Photo: Jeff Palmer

Call Today

1-800-DIAL-GAY • 1-800-342-5429

America's leader in Gay and Lesbian treatment. Alternatives is the nation's only **GAY OWNED AND OPERATED** alcohol, drug and mental health recovery program whose leadership has provided over 25 years of pride and service to the Gay and Lesbian community. Alternatives specializes in treating HIV/AIDS-related grief and loss. Our HIV specialists are available to address all medical concerns.

Medicare and most insurance accepted

JCAHO accredited

www.alternativesinc.com

Overboiled stereotypes of 'rice queens'
Todd Wilson's *'Rice & Potatoes'* looks at gay
romance between Asian & Caucasian men.

page 49

Split personality
'Jekyll & Hyde's love/hate
relationships on stage.

page 35



Hothead Roman
Woman's Will gender-
bends *'Coriolanus.'*

page 36



ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

BAY AREA REPORTER

Vol. 29 • No. 32 • 12 August 1999



Two girls in lust

Karyn Dwyer and
Christina Cox on
*Better Than
Chocolate*

by David Lamble

Christina Cox as
Kim and Karyn
Dwyer as Maggie
in *Better Than
Chocolate*

In the new Canadian film *Better Than Chocolate*, two young women, Maggie and Kim, cap the first week of their love with a visit to the Cat's Ass. Existing only in the imagination of screenwriter Peggy Thompson, the Cat's Ass is a hip dyke bar and cabaret situated along Vancouver's Commercial Drive, where the city's burgeoning lesbian community merges with Little Italy. Maggie and Kim make out in the women's restroom's only working stall while a small conga line of gay women eavesdrop on the sounds they make, shouting their approval when Maggie and Kim finally emerge.

In real life, Canadian actors Karyn Dwyer (Maggie) and Christina Cox (Kim) first met on the set of *Better Than Chocolate* to test their on-screen chemistry in a scene where the young women kick off their affair with a bout of erotic bodypainting. As we talk (on the morning of their film's Castro Theatre debut), Karyn and Christina are sitting in San Francisco's smallest screening room, just off the lobby of the Hotel Bijou. Fresh from a Union Square lunch and shopping spree, the actors recall the intense 22 days it took to shoot *Better Than Chocolate*, their personal chemistry further reinforced by a nonstop press junket that has included stops in Berlin and Toronto.

The two often finish each other's sentences. Karyn recalls how they had to test the quick-drying paint in a cold room in a Vancouver community center, and Christina growls, "Yeah, test the paint. So were out there freezing our asses off and a few other body parts, only to realize it was a 200-yard dash to the showers, and the community center was now filled with ten-year-old boys waiting to go to gymnastics practice — and the next thing you know, two doors fly open and two girls come dashing by covered in paint and two of the tiniest towels. It was a pretty good way to get to know each other — any kind of humility vanished. It was like, here are my boobs!"

Besides the Cat's Ass, two of *Better Than Chocolate's* main sets have stories attached to them. The loft Maggie

page 38 ►

Curator of the muses

Tribute to Nancy
Van Norman Baer
at de Young Museum

by Stephanie von Buchau

The first time I met the late Nancy Van Norman Baer, curator of theater and dance at the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, was before the opening of her 1981 *Pavlova!* show. She had worked for the museum since the mid-'70s, and her first show, devoted to the modern dancer Loie Fuller, had been such a success that this new exhibit was generating advance buzz.

She took me to the basement — and I'm sorry at this remove that I can't remember if it was the basement of the de Young in Golden Gate Park or the Palace of the Legion of Honor — to "show me around." A museum basement is just like your Aunt Maud's attic — if Aunt Maud collected Greek antiquities, Roman statuary and epic 19th-century paintings. These objects, dusty with disuse, were strewn about the cavernous room, half-covered in dropcloths.

In the center of a cleared area stood a faux-Hellenic column, about four feet tall, with a small bronze dancer, less than 12 inches, resting on top. I don't recall the sculptor's name — it could have been Malvina Hoffman or any other late 19th- or early 20th-century artist. It

page 41 ►



Poster for a Dance Recital by Caryathis
(Elise Jouhandeau) by Léon Bakst, circa 1919


SECOND OF TWO SECTIONS

adventures in photography
for personal & commercial projects
& visit www.terenceworks.com

terence Works

415.503.0201

you are your art



san francisco, ca usa

by Roberto Friedman and Surf 'n' Turf

Boy, we thought when we miscast **Audrey Hepburn** in *Gigi* in our column a few weeks ago, that would be **The End** for us, but here we are, back for more kicks and laughs in 1,500 words or less. Thank you all for your kind forgiveness ever so much.

Now that it looks like the poor *Examiner* finally hit that iceberg **Citizen Kane** and is going down without a lifesaver, does that mean a certain **Little Lord Fauntleroy** is headed back to the steno pool?

The good news is that enterprising **Bay Area** filmmaker making a documentary about that **gay movement pioneer** just landed a **benevolent benefactor** with tens of thousands of clams to throw his way. That's a lotta lettuce. The bad news is that he can't get his subject, **Himself**, to crack a smile once and a while for his camera as he drones on — er, we mean holds forth. After all, no one wants to see a whole talking head documentary with naught but a scowling head, right?



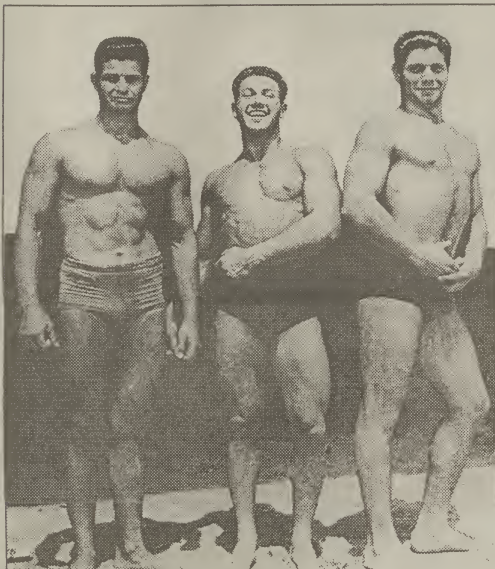
An elderly Mae West with her bodybuilders from Muscle Beach

club act (at 62): "One night, platinum-blond sex icon **Jayne Mansfield** attended West's show, and, when she was asked what

stage at the Castro. Afterward, "no one could suggest a single fun thing for me to do after midnight. ...I landed at a bar called the **EndUp**, but in a real **Guinness**-ready incident, I couldn't provide any age ID and wasn't let in!" We happen to know that the group he was going out with was a little bit older, so perhaps Musto was simply not young enough to be let in, or pretty enough, or maybe it was just that he wasn't, oh ... strung out on a particular substance?

Musto and McCormack and entourage also attended — and rocked out to — *Cyberotical* at the Transmission, "a fab drag rock musical about which Patty wistfully remarked, 'The guys always have better legs.'" (The show itself may well turn out to have legs, as there are stirrings behind the scenes to bring it back, maybe at a more, ahem, legitimate theatuh.)

Somewhere in there the celebrated crew had time to do a nice dinner at **Piaf's** and regretted nothing, except for the Little Sparrow impersonator who kept coming into the crowd to make us clap along." Now hold on there, Mr. New Yorker: in our little cowntown, that there's what we call entertainment.



Harold Zinkin (center) with two buddies in the late 1930s

But everyone always wants to see muscle pics. When Harold Met Jack dept.: **Harold Zinkin**, author of *Remembering Muscle Beach* (Angel City Press) and inventor of the Universal Gym Machine (he considered, but thankfully rejected, the notion of calling it the Zinkin) tells the following tale of meeting fitness guru **Jack LaLanne**: "Some people shake hands when they're introduced, and some make small talk. Although Jack and I may have engaged in both of those polite gestures, I remember only what followed — a furious wrestling match in the surf and on the sand." Is that anything like how dogs make acquaintances?

In his muscle memoir, Zinkin lays to rest once and for all the false rumor that the name of Muscle Beach "derived from the muscels on the pilings of the Santa Monica Pier. But the Beach wasn't about shellfish; it was about people." Right: like, "Look at the pair of bivalves on that one!"

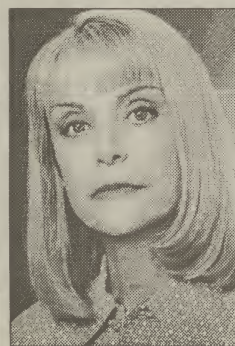
Elderly bombshell **Mae West** began hiring the bodybuilders fresh off the Beach for her night-

she'd like to order, eyed **Mickey Hargitay** and replied, "The beefcake on the end." At least she wasn't confusing him with seafood.

Believe it or not

Gossip master **Michael Musto** finally broke into print with the full story of his recent visit to SF. In his column for the *Village Voice*, Musto

wrote about his interview with Bad Seed **Patty McCormack** on-



Patty McCormack

Fine Arts Follies

Clapping merrily along, the divas were definitely out in droves for the fifth annual "Help Is on the Way" benefit at the Palace of Fine Arts put on earlier this month by the Richmond/Ermet AIDS Foundation. The show began with flirty SF Supes **Gavin Newsom** and **Mark Leno** bestowing proclamations from the absent **Mayor Brown**. Leno gushed that he fell in love with movie star **Rita Moreno** the first time he saw her as **Anita** in *West Side Story*, then admitted he also lost his heart that day to **Tony & Bernardo**. When you're a Jet...

Among the many performers in the "Salute to **Sondheim**" were **Meg Mackay**, **Nancy Dussault** and **Jill Eikenberry**. One spectacular standout was the statuesque **Lucie Arnaz** really working her minidress *avec slit* in the sultry "Sooner or Later." **Paula West** drifted dreamily through the little-known "Sand," and **Rita Moreno** pulled out the proverbial stops on "I'm Still Here." **Lisa Vroman** caught the spirit of "The Glamorous Life" while **Lee Les-sack** rendered a poignant "Someone is Waiting." Then skating queen **Brian Boitano** climbed out of bed in his boxer shorts to sing "Barcelona" to an excited **Mary Jo Catlett**. That's probably the first time he's done *that* in a long time.

page 52 ►

The New Conservatory Theatre Center Presents

The Millennium Pride Season
Sex, Guts, Glory

Steel Kiss
by Robin Fulford
Sept 8- Oct 30, 1999

Dream Boy
adapted by Eric Rosen
based on the novel by Jim Grimsley
Nov 10-Jan 1, 2000

Who's Afraid of Edward Albee?
by Michael Kearns
Dec 1-Jan 22, 2000

Love! Valour! Compassion!
by Terrence McNally
Jan 12-Mar 4, 2000

Message to Michael
by Tim Pinckney
Mar 15-May 6, 2000

Torch Song Trilogy
by Harvey Fierstein
May 24-Jul 15, 2000

my sister, my sister
multimedia presentation
Photos-Meredith Stout Poetry-Zelma Brown

Limited Run Until August 22nd!

All Seats \$12
Fri/Sat 8pm & Sun 2pm
Celebrating Women Festival

Piaf's

Call 415-864-3700 for our dinner packages

25 Van Ness • SF • Box Office: 415-861-8972

Conservatory Theatre Center
Executive Director: Ed Decker

**"JEKYLL & HYDE' IS A
BRILLIANT PRODUCTION
OF MUSICAL THEATRE!"**
— KGO Radio



Jekyll & Hyde
The Musical

**MUST CLOSE
AUGUST 29!**
ORPHEUM THEATRE
415.512.7770

Tickets available at the Orpheum Theatre
Box Office and at all outlets including
select Rite Aid and Riteo Latino locations.

SPECIAL \$35 STUDENT
tickets available at the box office
only. Limit 4. Offer good for all
perfs: orch/loge/mezz. Student ID
req'd. Subject to availability.

BEST OF BROADWAY
Orpheum Theatre
1192 Market Street at 'HYDE'

Groups (20 or more): 415.551.2020 • www.bestofbroadway-sf.com

THEATRE

'Race-based and joy-based' showcase

6th annual AfroSolo Festival begins Sat.

by Richard Dodds

Facing the big Four-Oh, Thomas R. Simpson decided to celebrate his birthday with drama. He rented a small theater, asked colleagues from theater workshops to perform, and filled up the audience with friends.

"I was thinking, 'I'm 39, and it's all downhill from here. I might as well have a good time,'" Simpson said recently. "Pretty soon, people started asking, 'What are you going to do next year?'"

While the first theatrical party, held in 1991, was a multicultural affair, Simpson decided the second would focus on African-American experiences. "Crack and drive-by shootings and AIDS were going on in the community," he said, "and these were things that black people needed to talk about. Newspapers didn't write them up the way I might, and so I figured we would have to write them ourselves."

Again, the collection of solo performances drew an enthusiastic response, and Simpson figured he might be on to something. Rather than throw himself a birthday party for a third year, Simpson created the AfroSolo Festival, now an institution in its sixth year. The nine-day festival has grown to include workshops, music events and an art exhibition, in addition to the signature solo performances.

"People ask me, 'What's the theme this year?' I don't think in

terms of themes," Simpson said. "I think of the diversity of the black experience. It's a showcase for our humanity — sometimes race-based, sometimes oppression-based, and sometimes joy-based."

As a gay African-American, Simpson wants to make sure that gay and lesbian experiences are included in that showcase. "The first year, we had an evening of lesbian, gay, bi, and transgender pieces," he said. "What my board said is, 'We should not segregate,' even though there are times when it would be appropriate. The idea is to deal with the whole culture."

And so, pieces by gay and lesbian artists are sprinkled through the festival. One of Simpson's own dramatic pieces will be staged as part of the community forum about AIDS that opens the festival on Aug. 14 at the Center for African-American Arts and Culture.

"There's still a lot of denial [about AIDS] in our community," Simpson said, "so I tried to bring opposites together in the piece. It's about an outlandish drag queen who has AIDS, and his father, who is a preacher." Brian Yates will perform Simpson's *Tyrene and Brother Butler*.

The community forum, titled *Black Artists on AIDS: Saving Lives, Raising Awareness, and Inspiring Hope*, will also include Marijo performing *Ashes to Ashes*, her solo piece about the courage a mother must call up when AIDS enters her home. A panel discussion among health-care profes-

sionals will follow each performance.

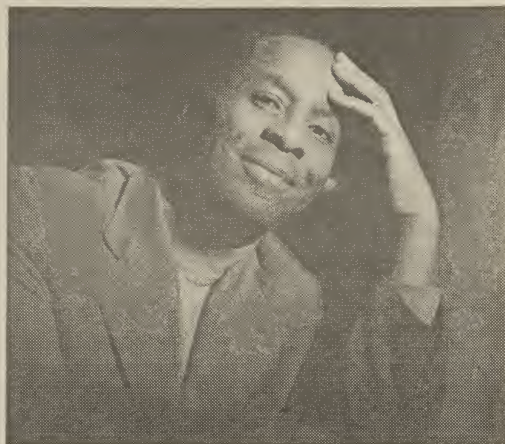
The opening gala, set for Aug. 18 at Theater Artaud, will be followed by a bill of four performances that include gay singer Blackberri and lesbian writer-performer Alison Wright. Blackberri, a pioneer in gay-oriented music, will perform *B(Black and Better Than Ever in Concert)*. Wright will perform her solo piece *Ms. Thang, Watch' Doing in Ireland?*, which follows the title character on her continuing travel adventures.

The four performances set for Aug. 19 also include works by gay and lesbian artists. S.K. Thoth will offer an excerpt from his epic opera *The Herma: the Life of Nular-in* that focuses on a mythical hermaphrodite in a plea for accepting differences in others. Lesbian musician Avotcja creates music from everyday sounds in *True Confessions of a Sound Junkie*.

Gay artist Michael Ross is part of a visual arts exhibition opening with a reception on Aug. 17 at the Z Space Studio. "A lot that he does is collage work," Simpson said, "and a lot of his pieces have to do with male sexuality and what he calls male breeds."

The festival has also expanded to include music, highlighted by an evening of blues, jazz, and gospel on Aug. 21 at the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, and by Cultural Odyssey's Showcase on Aug. 22 at Theater Artaud.

Even as AfroSolo has broadened its artistic reach, its core re-



Thomas Simpson, artistic director of the AfroSolo Festival

mains the spoken-word solo performances that gave it its start. "As I started working on my own solo work I found it a more direct way to address the audience," Simpson said. "It comes out of the traditions of storytelling."

As the demands of the festival have grown, Simpson has less time to pursue his own performing and writing. "There is some sadness around that," he said. "This is a full-time job, but without full-time pay."

Simpson arrived in San Francisco from Nashville in 1984 hoping to find more acting opportunities. He expected to stay a year or two, get some exposure, and then head to New York or Los Angeles. "I

stayed for the beauty of the city and for the artistic freedom," he said.

He doesn't talk much about growing up in Nashville as one of 11 children or his life outside of the festival. "When I tell those stories," Simpson said, "I want to be the one writing them down. I want to be the first one to put them out in the world. I'm a pretty quiet person, but on stage I can express so many things." ▼

The 6th annual AfroSolo Festival will run Aug. 14-22 at various locations. A complete schedule is available at www.afrosolo.org. For more information, call 771-2376.

Monster mash

'Jekyll & Hyde'

by Richard Dodds

Dr. Jekyll, aka Mr. Hyde, may suffer from a split personality, but the musical that bears his names(s) has lived through multiple-production disorder.

The touring edition of *Jekyll & Hyde* at the Orpheum Theatre is the musical's fourth incarnation since it began its long journey to Broadway in 1990. I didn't see the Broadway version, now in its third year, but what's on stage in San Francisco is a considerable improvement over a pre-New York tour that crisscrossed the country for more than a year. While the basic ingredients are still lumpy at times, the packaging is now a lot smoother.

At its best, *Jekyll & Hyde* is a mock-gothic potboiler that knows how to steamroll an audience with its crafty bombast. But that can't fully hide the holes in the plot, the simplistic lyrics, or the music that too often suffers from audience-pandering machinations.

The composer, Frank Wildhorn, is something of an American junior-league version of Andrew Lloyd Webber, a man who technically provides the music but who is actually the driving force behind all his shows. Wildhorn, who was writing Whitney Houston ballads before turning to Broadway, remains unabashedly a pop composer of crowd-pleasing, if generic, power anthems that gain no specificity from lyricist Leslie Bricusse's rhyming couplets.



Chuck Wagner and Sharon Brown in *Jekyll & Hyde*

Bricusse, who famously was once Anthony Newley's writing partner, also maintains credit for the musical's book, very freely adapted from Robert Louis Stevenson's novella. In this version, Dr. Henry Jekyll, a swash-buckling researcher, has crafted a formula that he believes will rid the world of all evil if only the narrow-minded trustees of his hospital will approve human testing. When they decline, Jekyll uses himself as a guinea pig to disastrous results. That the trustees were abundantly correct doesn't stop the musical from taking pleasure in their extermination by a vengeful Mr. Hyde.

Chuck Wagner, who created *Jekyll/Hyde* in the original 1990 production, is now back in the

page 41 ►

melissa etheridge

her highly anticipated new album

breakdown

featuring her new single

angels would fall

album in stores october 5th

guarantee your special limited edition collector CD by pre-ordering your copy starting August 1st. the collector CD contains an additional 3 new bonus studio tracks, special enhancement features and custom artwork & packaging.

pre-order your CD at your local retailer or online at getmusic.com

you're invited!!



be the first to see melissa's VH1's Hard Rock Live performance, plus hear breakdown in its entirety

where: Hard Rock Cafe
when: October 4th
time: 10pm-1am

check these websites for details and locations
www.melissaetheridge.com
www.hardrock.com

also available



melissa etheridge



brave & crazy



never enough



yes i am



your little secret

Coddled into obscurity

42nd Street Moon's 'Sitting Pretty'

by Richard Dodds

The reasons that the "lost musicals" in which 42nd Street Moon specializes first became lost are as varied as the shows themselves. In the case of *Sitting Pretty*, the blame has fallen to the hubris of composer Jerome Kern.

The 1924 enterprise was a welcomed reunion of Kern, P.G. Wodehouse, and Guy Bolton, who had collaborated on the intimate and much-admired "Princess Theatre" musicals of the late teens. But by 1924, Kern felt powerful enough to ban his *Sitting Pretty* songs from being broadcast or recorded by dance bands.

"None of our music now reaches the public as we wrote it except in the theater," Kern said. "It is so distorted by jazz orchestras as to be almost unrecognizable. A composer should be able to protect his score just as an author does his manuscripts."

Kern so well protected his music that without the benefit of its songs finding life outside the theater, *Sitting Pretty* closed after just three months. The show

promptly disappeared until its orchestrations were found in a warehouse in New Jersey in the early 1980s.

As 42nd Street Moon's delightful staged concert version demonstrates, Kern's music is intelligently tuneful, both of its era and in a couple of cases ahead of it. The harmonics of "There Isn't One Girl" or "On a Desert Island with You," for example, could pass muster in musicals written 50 years hence.

Another happy discovery are the clever lyrics that Wodehouse supplied that, employing internal rhymes and wry references, hit the needed emotional chords while contributing unexpected sources of humor. Unfortunately, Wodehouse would soon leave the world of musical comedy behind, finding his greatest success as the creator of the Bertie Wooster and Jeeves stories.

Not surprisingly, the book that Wodehouse and Guy Bolton supplied is the least sophisticated element of the *Sitting Pretty* enterprise. The convoluted story of an inheritance, orphans, goldiggers, larceny, and love may be little

more than the clothesline on which to hang the songs and gags, but a fair number of those gags still evoke laughter.

Director Greg MacKellan deserves considerable credit for his imaginative staging that provides bits, takes, and business that elaborate on the script. Berle Davis' choreography is also surprisingly developed for a staged concert that eschews scenery, props, and full-out costuming.

The cast, carrying scripts but infrequently referring to them, is one of 42nd Street Moon's superior assemblages. As the young hero, Martin Lewis displays a big voice and old-fashioned stylings perfectly suited to the material, while Steve Rhyme is abundantly appealing as the rough-hewn alternate leading man. Their respective romantic interests are given engaging life by Caroline Altman and Dyan McBride. The



Dyan McBride, Don Cima, and Caroline Altman in *Sitting Pretty*

saucer-eyed Stephen Pawley contributes some classic comic-character stylings as a shifty con man, Anandah Carter does a delightfully ditzzy turn as the tale's top gold-digger, and Don Cima provides a twinkle to the gruff exterior of the millionaire whose money makes this world go 'round.

At two and three-quarters hours, *Sitting Pretty* may offer a bit too

much sitting. But those extra moments aren't too onerous in the company of Kern, Wodehouse, Bolton, and this felicitous troupe. ▼

Sitting Pretty will run at the New Conservatory Theatre Center through Aug. 22. Tickets are \$20 and \$22. Call 861-8972.

Schmoozers & bruisers

Woman's Will's 'Coriolanus' in the park

by Erin Blackwell

If you like your Shakespeare free and in the park, you won't want to miss the final performances of *Coriolanus* by Woman's Will. This enthusiastic ensemble of young-to-middling women turn the tables on the Elizabethans and play all the parts without any assistance from the guys. This may seem the stranger, given the play's martial reputation, but really this tragedy is more personal and ergo more political than its surface suggests.

Coriolanus (Erin Merritt) is the Romans' star soldier, a total hothead, who unfortunately is as arrogant as he is battle-scarred. He cannot bear cowardice in others and no one is quite so brave as he — with the possible exception of his mother, Volumnia (Lynne Soffer). He is the prime defender of the Empire at a time of internal discord: the patricians hold uncertain power over the plebeians, who have just managed to elect themselves representatives. Battle lines without; class divisions within.

Coriolanus' character defect would be containable if he weren't elevated to the post of consul, requiring him to schmooze the common herd. Like Cordelia, whose inability to flatter her father costs her an inheritance, *Coriolanus* cannot stomach having to sing for his supper. He wins the post, but his sneering, snarling superiority makes him an easy mark of the newly elected Brutus (Linda Jones Nicholson) and Sicinius (Tara Blau), demagogues intent on holding power by exciting the people's sense of entitlement.

What we have here is the tragedy of a superior person who can't let go of that superiority for the time it takes to admit the needs and gifts of others. *Coriolanus*' moral flaw just happens to sit on the faultline between his country's haves and have-nots — all of whose very existence depends on his overweening talent for war. Let me tell you, Mr.



Carla Pantoja as Aufidius and Erin Merritt as *Coriolanus* in *Coriolanus*

Shakespeare knows how to mine the dramatic possibilities of this situation and even throw in some comic ones for the groundlings.

Wendy White is a standout in multiple roles, most notably as the hero's philosophical pal Menenius. Not only her diction but her intention is consistently clear. In the writhing sea of situational hyperbole, she's a beacon for the audience to fix on. Lynne Soffer is similarly sure in her delineation of what must be one of the greatest tributes to matriarchal power ever penned. Her Act V, scene iii "seduction" of her son is the afternoon's dramatic high point.

Director Mary Coleman does a great job sorting out the stage traffic and getting the gist of the relationships. The set in Dolores Park consisted of Pietro Calogero's handsomely painted map of Rome and its environs, upstage center, slit down the middle to allow for entrances and exits, flanked by black cloth and tied to the trunks of two palm

trees. This stringent minimalism reminds us how little one needs in the way of kitchen sinks when the poetry sings.

The program-noted "costume coordination" by Claudia Weeks (who also plays the Roman general Cominius and the Third Server in the enemy camp) helps us keep track of which soldiers are whose, not to mention who's playing a man or a woman at any given moment. Actually, the women — and there are merely three — are instantly identifiable by their skirts, but mostly by the cunning cloths they drape over their heads, which immediately transport us into the antique feminine realm. My favorite costume moment was seeing *Coriolanus* and his wife (Lizzie Calogero) go toe-to-toe in their Doc Martens during the play's only kiss. ▼

This Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m. in Alta Plaza Park. Free. Information: 567-1758.

"This summer's MUST-SEE gay date movie."
- George Fikherly, XY MAGAZINE

trick

now playing **EMBARCADERO CENTER CINEMA**
One Embarcadero Center • (415) 352-0811
also playing at Berkeley-Shattuck & San Jose-Terrace
www.trickmovie.com

BOOKS INC.
The Castro's only general bookstore

Quirky & Entertaining Events
Every Thurs. Night @ 8p.m.
call or come by for details
2275 Market St. @ 16th
415.864.6777 / www.booksinc.net

EAST BAY LATIN EXPLOSION

The Latest in Latin & House Music

HOT Fridays

FREE B4-11 W/AD @ BENCH & BAR
120 11th ST. OAKLAND
510-444-2266
*Pass not valid for special events.

Viennese veneers

Carol Reed's 'The Third Man' at the Castro

by Erin Blackwell

If you haven't seen *The Third Man*, you must. If you have, it's time to see it again. British director Carol Reed's tribute to the glamour and deception that was Vienna, dramatized for him by Allied bombs and brilliantly captured by novelist Graham Greene's screenplay, is as fast and fresh and troubling as when it won Cannes' Palme d'Or in 1949.

Filmed in high-contrast black and white, *The Third Man* is all about the gray areas of human behavior, making it an ideal date movie for the millennium. Because it wasn't made in Hollywood like *Casablanca*, this old-world meditation on interpersonal ethics doesn't have to reach for the obvious conclusions. Shot on location in the erstwhile capital of the Austro-Hungarian Empire and imbued with a charm-coated cynicism that turns out to be strangely adapted to the demands of social intercourse, this suspense film keeps us guessing long after the nominal mystery has been solved, the villain run to ground, and the hero free to pursue his love interest.

The mystery the film does not set out to solve but to embody — in the person of the young, febrile Orson Welles — is evil: why it happens, why we don't do more to stop it, how we are even (at least) half in love with it. Beyond that, there's the suggestion that evil may just be a fancy name for overdeveloped survival skills which operate at other people's expense. What a shock this must have been to audiences spoon-fed US government-approved wartime propaganda in the grand old tradition of *Cowboys and Indians*.

As an inside joke on that same simplistic mentality, protagonist Holly Martins (the flawlessly bland Joseph Cotton) is a writer modeling himself on pulp Western author Zane Grey. When Holly admits this fact to a crowd gathered for a lecture on "The Modern Novel," he successfully empties the already depleted house. As Americans, we laugh good-naturedly at this good-natured jibe, but we may not fully understand the terrible price other nations have been made to pay for our lack of cultural complexity.

Key Lime

Holly comes to Vienna because



Orson Welles as Harry Lime in *The Third Man*

his friend Harry Lime (Welles) sends him a train ticket; upon arriving, he's informed of Lime's death by car accident. With nothing but time and grief on his hands, Holly starts asking all the wrong questions to a group of unreliable and/or hostile witnesses. The innocent American's dogged inquest is a grand excuse to parade a motley mix of characters through some rambunctiously rococo interiors and gorgeously cobblestoned patios. If for no other reason, see this film for its intimate portrait of this culture-crazy cosmopolis.

The least hostile witness is Harry's lady friend, a Czech passing as an Austrian (which is only a crime in a post-Hapsburg world). Holly catches up with Anna Schmidt (Alida Valli) at the Josefstadt Theater, where she's playing some *frou frou* farce in a platinum wig circa Marie-Antoinette. In the wings, she briefly becomes a real person before stepping back on stage. In her dressing room, she says, "I don't know anything anymore, except I want to be dead, too." The line, delivered deadpan, is breathtakingly at odds with the high-kitsch Viennese veneer.

In ways too numerous for me to even notice, let alone catalogue here, Reed repeatedly sets up the audience for the cognitive dissonance that results from such seemingly uninhabitable contra-

ditions. The film is less a riddle to be solved than a thoroughly thought-out series of impossibilities — rather like life itself, if anyone's paying attention.

Of course, Holly falls in love with her. Who wouldn't? But he's distracted by the accumulating misinformation that causes him to doubt Harry's death was accidental. The discrepancy he finally focuses on gives the film its title. Having been told that Lime's body was carried from roadway to sidewalk by three men, he is then told there were only two. That's the mystery he decides to solve: who was the third man?

Before Holly stumbles onto the answer to that question, the aloof British Major Calloway (the brilliantly disabused Trevor Howard) sits him down for an official look at the more recent activities of his friend Harry. When Holly finally gets the picture, the significance lies less in having fit together the pieces of an unpleasant puzzle, than the effect of the completed image on Holly's world view — and ours. ▼

The 50th anniversary restoration of *The Third Man* opens Friday at the Castro Theatre.

BAHIA Boys Club
Opening: Wed. Aug. 18

Art Exhibit by **Toby**
Reception 8pm

High Energy Cha Cha
Dj Clay

Male Fantasy
Underground:
Steve Fabus
Tribal Trance

\$5 cover
\$3 w/ valid Gym Card, Union or Military

BAHIA CABANA 1600 Market St. 415-861-4202

Celebrating
Our 21st Year!

Orphan Andy's
24 Hour Restaurants & Bars

3991-A 17th Street
MARKET & CASTRO
864-9795

Get the
Right Tool
for the Job



Good
Vibrations

Dildos • Vibrators •
Anal Toys • Oils &
Lubricants • Power Play
Toys • Safer Sex
Supplies • Erotic, Art,
and Educational Books
& Videos • and lots,
lots, more!

Visit one of our
two locations:

1210 Valencia St.
(at 23rd)
San Francisco
(415) 974-8980

2504 San Pablo Ave.
(at Dwight)
Berkeley
(510) 841-8987

Open
Sun.-Thurs. 11am-7pm;
Fri. & Sat. 11am-8pm

www.goodvibes.com

FIND YOUR SOUL MATE @

gay.com

THE BIGGEST GAY & LESBIAN ONLINE COMMUNITY



WITH NEWS, FEATURES AND
OVER 1,000 CHAT ROOMS, IT'S
LIKE HANUKKAH IN JULY.



Like a box of sex toys

Guess what's 'Better Than Chocolate'

by Honey Brooks

A h chocolate, that tasty oral aphrodisiac of caloric content, sometimes sublimated for sexual gratification. What happens when you meet the lesbian lover of your dreams one day before your mother and brother need to move in with you, and they do not know you are gay? Maggie (Karyn Dwyer), a cute 19-year-old, accidentally meets Kim (Christina Cox), a free-spirited out lesbian artist who has just arrived in town.

The two girls are immediately attracted to each other, and lust and love are in full bloom. The lustful twosome are soon in the throes of passion in Kim's live-in van while it is towed away, interrupting their lovemaking. Maggie is in desperate need of an apartment for them to share while they are all getting a fresh start in life. Luckily, Maggie gets a month sublet from a lesbian lecturer who is leaving town for a "Love That Latex safe-sex tour"—leaving behind her erotic sex toys all over the apartment.

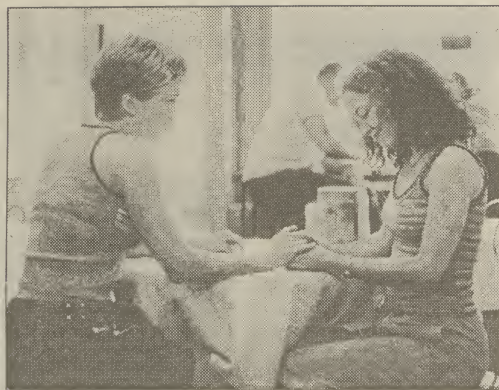
In this multilayered, fresh, erotic, romantic lesbian comedy, the primary focus is on the characters' relationships, and each one's individual pursuit of happiness underscores the universality of the storyline. Maggie is exerting her newfound independence, having dropped out of college to pursue a writing career, rather than Law. She works by day in a lesbian bookstore (10% books, 90% erotic toys) and performs nights at The Cat's Ass, a hip local girl's club. Maggie's mother, Lila (Wendy Crewson), who is unaware of Maggie's lifestyle, is getting divorced from Maggie's stepfather. Both her mother and her brother Paul (Kevin Mundy), a 17-year-old high school student, get entwined with Maggie's colorful friends: Judy (Peter Outerbridge), a transgender lesbian nightclub singer who is in love with Maggie's

lesbian boss Frances (Ann-Marie MacDonald), and Carla (Marya Delver), Maggie's sexually active co-worker, who shows brother Paul a sexual trick or two.

Songs "I'm Not a Fucking Drag Queen" and "Julie Christie" are acted out at The Cat's Ass club by Maggie and her friends. (The soundtrack includes Ani DiFranco and Sarah McLachlan.) Three women, director Anne Wheeler, screenwriter/co-producer Peggy Thompson, and producer Sharon McGowan, have successfully delivered a celluloid treat that is more gratifying than chocolate. The film's relationships explore the emotional aspects of each character's heart. In an ensemble cast like this one, comprised of coming out and out lesbians, bi-

sexual, transgender, and straight women in midlife crisis, including a straight male is no small feat. The comedy and political commentary in *Better Than Chocolate* are deftly handled.

Canadian actresses Dwyer and Cox are well-cast as the principal characters. The chemistry between them is hot and adorable. Whether or not they are gay in real life is unimportant to their performances. In one scene they are naked, and they get into sensual bodypainting, an expression of love and art. After seeing this scene, you might want to run out and buy the necessary materials to re-create this erotic art form at home. Lila, sexually frustrated, devours chocolate as her comfort release until she finds a box of



A scene from *Better Than Chocolate*

sexual toys and happily experiments with her newfound sexual release. It's like a quick trip to Stormy Leather for a refresher course in what's new in pleasurable toys, and it beats F.A.O. Schwarz. Life is like a box of

chocolates; you never know what you're going to get, but with this box, you will be satisfied. ▼

Better Than Chocolate opens Friday in the Bay Area.

Chocolate

◀ Arts cover

subtleties from the traveling safe-sex demonstrator was actually constructed on the soundstage once used to film *The X Files*, and Kim's artist's van (where Kim and Maggie first get it on) was a converted milk wagon. Quips Christina, "My mom used to call them 'shagging wagons.' When my sister was going out on a date she would say, 'You will not leave the house in that shagging wagon!' She was only allowed to go with guys who had cars where you could see in all the windows."

Mother concerns

Better Than Chocolate's main plot pivots around Maggie's reluctance to tell her mother that she's "shagging" Kim. Maggie's mother Lila (played by Wendy Crewson, a major star in Canada, who appeared opposite Harrison Ford in *Air Force One*) has been dumped by her yuppie lawyer husband, forcing Lila and Maggie's brother Paul (Kevin Mundy) to share the loft with Maggie, Kim and a gag-



Christina Cox and Karyn Dwyer in *Better Than Chocolate*

gle of two-headed dildoes, butt plugs and battery-operated vibrators. Dwyer hails from a small island off Newfoundland whose previous claim to fame was a solitary female moose who refused to mate with a specially imported

bull moose. Karyn didn't discuss the nature of her role in *Better Than Chocolate* until after the film had wrapped. "I was a little uncertain how to tell my mother about all the nudity and sex scenes, something moms are a lit-

tle anxious about. Afterwards, I gently broached the situation. She dropped her cup of tea and picked it up and told me, 'You know, I'm very proud of you.'"

Christina Cox says her folks haven't yet seen the film. "My parents have always been cool about these things. When I shaved my head, they said, 'That's fine, dear.' When I cut different little patterns into the side of my head and dyed it pink, they said, 'That's fine, dear.' Now mind you, I wasn't invited to sit for any of the family portraits."

Karyn and Christina were a little nonplused that with all their steamy sex scenes, the only moment that aroused any concern from the film censors was when Kevin Mundy's character engages the film's resident bisexual, Carla, with some foreplay involving a butt plug. Says Karyn, "I don't think they have the kind of laws concerning sex between women—so that's why they didn't really mind that in one scene it looks like I'm performing oral sex."

Christina adds, "No issues with big pink gumball dildoes, but they had a problem with the butt plug that you never saw."

Censorship, Canadian style, is actually a major subplot in the film. The bookstore that Maggie works for is being hassled by Canadian customs officials for stocking books like *Butches In Chains*, *Anal Pleasure and Health*, and believe it or not, *Little Red Riding Hood*. This part of the film is based on the actual customs battles that have endangered the existence of gay and lesbian bookstores such as Little Sisters in Vancouver and Glad Day Books in Toronto. Dwyer notes that, just as in the film, Canadian Customs has engaged in a politically motivated vendetta. "The Supreme Court of Canada has said that these books are not child pornography, not some scary-ass stuff you might get off the Web."

Dwyer notes that *Better Than Chocolate's* ensemble cast and many intersecting subplots resemble such Shakespearean comedies as *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, where the leads are often overshadowed by more eccentric or forceful supporting characters. Outstanding in this regard is Peter Outerbridge's portrayal of Judy, a transgendered chanteuse whose performance at the Cat's Ass of "I'm Not a Fucking Drag Queen" is the film's showstopper. "This character would in most films just be there for comic relief. But Judy is a character we get to know, and whose pain and joy we come to share on some profound level." ▼

bodies like these

demand attention.

Pay attention to your body—
or somebody else's—in our new
multi-station cardio, Precor, Cybex,
Quantum and Nautilus equipped
facility which is part of a private
men's club that's open 24 hours daily.
So you can work out when you want,
all you want.

STEAMWORKS

BERKELEY CA CHICAGO IL SAN JUAN PR

24 HOUR MEN'S GYM / SAUNA

2107 4th St / Berkeley 510.845.8992

MUSIC

Beyond the planet of hair care products

The beat goes on — and on — for Cher

by John Blanco

Until the unexpected success of her *Believe* CD this year, what Cher was most famous for in the '90s was a TV infomercial she made for hair care products. Most of us flipped to this much-aired spot late at night and caught the image of Cher sitting on a couch with a bunch of her girlfriends enthusing about hair gel and creme rinse. For TV viewers, the infomercial was perverse entertainment, akin to watching has-been or never-were celebrities like Connie Stevens or Tovah Borgnine hawk their wares on QVC. For Cher, it was the nadir of her career.

Now, just five or six years later, Cher is in the midst of a successful world tour. Her concert ticket sales are fueled by the phenomenal chart performance of *Believe*, her biggest-selling record ever. The CD's title track gives Cher the distinction of being the only woman to score a Top 10 hit in four consecutive decades. There's also the achievement that vanity may prohibit her from bragging about: "Believe" makes the 53-year-old the oldest female performer ever to score a Top 10 hit.

How is it that Cher managed to go from infomercial pitchgal to pop smash in just a few years? Credit has to go to her skill at staging a comeback, which she's done at least once during every decade of her career, first as part of Sonny and Cher, and later as a solo artist. The reason most of these comebacks have succeeded is Cher's amazing gift for reinventing herself. Now, it's true that talking about a performer "reinventing" him- or herself has to be one of the biggest clichés in rock criticism; it's banded about every time Madonna changes hair color or Courtney Love switches haute couture designers. But with Cher, the changes aren't just cosmetic. (Although you could argue that lately the cosmetic changes have been so drastic, even ghoulish, as to overshadow everything else.)

Cher essentially starts from scratch every few years, with a new look, new sound and new persona. Madonna's equally adept at this, but she's not nearly as time-tested. To find a veteran fe-

male performer as talented at reinvention, you'd have to look to film and a diva of an entirely different sort, Joan Crawford. Many film critics have talked about the way Crawford was able to remain a movie star for an astonishing 40 years by radically revamping her screen persona each decade, from 1920s flapper to 1960s fright queen. Moreover, she was adaptable to a variety of film genres, from melodrama to film noir to horror.

Lush life

Cher has also done her share of genre-hopping over the course of her music career. Whatever she chooses to dabble in — teenybopper folk in the '60s, extravagantly melodramatic pop narratives in the '70s, overblown power ballads in the '80s, or lush dance music today — usually brings her success. There have been instances, however, when record-buyers refused to go along with the singer's shifts in sound and image. Just a few years ago, for example, Cher was trying to pass herself off as an earthy R&B belter with songs like "Walking in Memphis" and a cover of James Brown's "It's a Man's Man's Man's World." But her pallid, unconvincing, Etta James impersonation didn't go over with even her most hardcore fans, and the record tanked.

So while her pop instincts aren't infallible, they are pretty impressive. She knew in the mid-'60s, for instance, that while many unsophisticated listeners might like Bob Dylan's songs, they didn't necessarily like his distinctive whine. So the unlikely Dylan acolyte recorded a slew of his tunes, including "Don't Think Twice," "Like a Rolling Stone" and "I Want You," on some of her earliest solo records, which were released simultaneously with her first recordings with husband Sonny. She even managed to take Dylan's "All I Really Want To Do," a song he never released as a single, to number 15 on the pop charts. Her cover didn't make anyone forget Dylan's original, but it wasn't a travesty, either. Mostly, it sounded like a young performer's sweet and genuine exercise in idol worship.

Covers made up a large chunk of Cher's '60s solo material, in-

cluding tunes by everyone from Oscar Hammerstein to Buffy Sainte-Marie. Not until the early-to mid-'70s did Cher find her own style (of the moment) with the hits "Dark Lady," "Gypsies, Tramps and Thieves" and "Half-Breed," a trio of story songs so deliriously over-the-top that they've been drag-bar standards practically from the moment they were released. It makes sense that Cher, a frustrated actress at this point in her career, would have chosen songs that provided her with such juicy roles: the man-stealin' "fortune queen of New Orleans" of "Dark Lady," the mistreated "squaw" of "Half-Breed" and the "gal in trouble" of "Gypsies, Tramps and Thieves." These characters, as well as the songs' tawdry narratives, seem straight out of '50s pulp novels.

Hitting bottom

That kind of humor and colorful excess were absent from Cher's '80s material. Her hits came late in the decade, and they were all overproduced power ballads, soft rock tunes butched up with *de rigueur* heavy metal guitar. Some of these songs — "Just Like Jesse James," for example — are among the worst-written tunes of her career. During this period, she seemed more concerned with who permed her wigs than with who wrote her songs. Consequently, her late-'80s records are littered with the tunes of schlock-meisters like Michael Bolton and Desmond Chiles.

Cher's music career was in decline by the mid-'90s, when a period of inactivity due to poor health was followed by a couple of dud albums. So expectations were understandably low when she released her latest CD, *Believe*, early this year, but the disc wound up containing, in the title cut, perhaps the best song of her career. It's a unique track — a dance anthem with the melancholy tone and delicacy of a break-up ballad. Marred only by the gimmicky, electronically tweaked vocals, "Believe" is a near-perfect single. While nothing else on the CD matches it, save maybe the classic '70s disco feel and sweeping orchestration of "Strong Enough," *Believe* still boasts a surprisingly solid bunch of tunes.



The once and eternal Cher

With the chart success of *Believe* and her recent consecration into divadom by VH-1, Cher finally seems to be getting a little respect. It's too bad that it seems to be respect based on longevity and sales figures, however, rather than on the quality of the some of her new songs. Reviews of *Believe* have been decent, but critics still resist taking Cher seriously. Of course, when you're playing arenas around the world, while near-

ly all other pop performers your age would be happy to share a bill with the Righteous Brothers in Vegas, maybe critical respect doesn't matter that much, after all. ▼

Cher plays Shoreline Amphitheatre on August 17 and Concord Pavilion on August 18. Both shows are at 7:30 p.m.

FOR MEN WHO LIKE TO JACK-OFF WITH MEN

SF JACKS

The 2nd and 4th Monday of each month
SF Jacks HOTLINE: 415-267-6999

SEE THE THING ITSELF!

For Your
Pleasure

Friendly, hot men.
Clean, comfortable.
Great location.
Steamroom, sauna
& showers.

EROS

2051 Market at Church • Info: 864-3767 • Massage appts: 255-4921

FIRST TIME? VISITOR?
Check out our special Day Pass

Open daily
from 4 pm

ASS WIDE SHUT

CRUISE CAMPUS MEAT



Saturdays
2-8pm

thur-fri-sat
5 MAN
SHOWS

NEW MEAT
CAMPUS
THEATER 220 JONES ST

Free Video Arcade • www.newmeattheater.com
11am-12am Sun-Thurs, 11am-2am Fri & Sat

12 to 14 Shows Daily! • Now Gay Owned! • Still \$10!

415-673-3384

More tales of the city

SF Gay Men's Chorus, Chanticleer have their Maupin moments

by Philip Campbell

Two venerable Bay Area musical institutions celebrated the words of another San Francisco icon recently with very different, but happily related concerts. Writer Armistead Maupin is enjoying a renaissance 23 years after his *Tales of the City* kick-started more mornings than a cup of Capricorn coffee.

The San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus and male vocal ensemble Chanticleer may have shared similar intentions when they decided to revisit 28 Barbary Lane in song, but in their own distinctive ways, each found a special view of Maupin's beloved characters.

The San Francisco Arts Commission and the San Francisco Symphony (SFS) showcased the SF Gay Men's Chorus as the final presentation of their *Summer in the City* series. The funky old Pops concerts of years gone by have been replaced by these more handsomely packaged productions, and the Chorus looked right at home, with some tasteful set decorations and theatrical lighting.

An evening-length concoction called *Music for Michael Mouse: Songs & Selected Readings from the Tales of the City* series with special guest Armistead Maupin was conceived by the author with Dennis

Colman and David Maddux. Originally created for the Seattle Men's Chorus and also performed by the Gateway Men's Chorus of St. Louis, the show (and it does resemble a big gay musical) finally made it to Davies Hall under the direction of Dr. Stan Hill, for two joyous performances in early August.

The SFS deserves the praise Maupin offered when he commended them for allowing the denizens of his racy novels to cut loose in an evening at Pops that featured a Jockey shorts contest, references to phone sex and even the F word! The charming narrator gleefully quipped, "Mrs. Davies, cover your ears." Of course, the dear Louise is no longer with us, but she probably would have been delighted and just as broken up as the rest of the crowd when the ASL interpreter, Thomas "TJ" Jaramillo, rather fetchingly signed the aforementioned expletive.

The first half of the program followed young Michael Tolliver from his arrival in San Francisco to a visit from his parents, an evening in a Country & Western bar, and an extended sequence with Mouse ending up in bed with Rock Hudson. The choice of accompanying songs was never less than apt, though some selections worked better than others. It is never easy for a great big glee



The men of Chanticleer

club to get down and dirty, so *Cherchez La Femme* fared less well than the more pop-inflected tunes. The C&W routine featured some nicely executed dancing, and the songs borrowed from Disney films were perfect for the fantasy of Hudson's Hollywood rendezvous.

The second half of the concert was well nigh perfect in pace, sentiment and emotional effect. With the concluding "Letter to Mama" from *More Tales of the City* (Michael's wonderfully expressed coming out statement, set to music by David Maddux), there couldn't have been a dry eye left in the house. Walking up the aisle, feeling truly enriched, I heard one woman exclaim, "There goes my makeover, and I never remember to bring Kleenex."

Madrigal songs

Chanticleer's concerts are usually more sober affairs, relying on a patented blend of awesome talent and serious repertoire to achieve a cumulative punch. Their decision to team with yet another Bay Area idol, mezzo-soprano Frederica von Stade, yielded some very Gay Men's Chorus-type warm and fuzzy moments, too.

The program covered a lot of territory and showed the amazing vocalist's ability to cope with a variety of languages and idioms. Her voice betrayed very few signs of wear (von Stade's career is in its third decade) in songs by Joseph Canteloube, Alberto Ginastera (enchanting), Villa-Lobos and Mahler. The choral accompaniment was predictably exquisite

throughout, with some wonderful solos, and marked by some of the best chamber arrangements I have heard.

The biggest event of the evening was appropriately placed after intermission, the world premiere of *Anna Madrigal Remembers*, a commissioned work featuring four "movements" performed without breaks. As the 80-year-old transsexual landlady of 28 Barbary Lane, von Stade returned to the stage in a gorgeous ankle-length chartreuse chiffon evening coat. It suited the black body-hugging cocktail pants she wore under it and the ropes and ropes of pearls she wore above. One doesn't hear those sort of whoops from an audience at a chamber concert very often.

Armistead Maupin has fashioned what amounts to a song cycle for his most memorable character as she approaches the millennium in wonderfully bold style. Composer Jake Heggie's music is, by turns, jazzy, nostalgic and anthem-like. He is collaborating with playwright Terrence McNally (*The Ritz*; *Love! Valour! Compassion!*) on an opera based on *Dead Man Walking* for the San Francisco Opera. He might want to reconsider and do some extended work with Maupin. *Anna Madrigal Remembers* is bright, accessible, funny and could go on much longer without outstaying its welcome.

Joseph Jennings is back as Music Director of Chanticleer, and he seemed to be enjoying the night as much as his chorus. Von Stade was clearly having a ball, and when Maupin joined the performers onstage with Jake Heggie, the ovation was thunderous. There was a lot of history of Northern California artistry on display at that moment, and also when the San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus teamed with the author. We do live in a lucky corner of the world. ▼

Jack Off Club

Circle J

Mandatory clothes check Tuesdays and Fridays 8:00 p.m.
Open daily 10 a.m. - 12 a.m.

369 Ellis/San Francisco/415.474.6995/Metro: Powell

Free anonymous HIV testing:

1st Thurs, 8:30-10:30pm
3rd Friday, 10pm-12:30am

**BLOW
BUDDIES**
San Francisco

Free STD check-ups:

every 2nd Thurs, 8-10pm
upstairs, 933 Harrison

LIVE PRIVATE ROOMS • VOICE MAIL • BULLETIN BOARD

MET 1-ON-1

1-800-
PRO-MALE 860-MENN 1-900-

8 25 MIN. 10 MC 8 49 MIN. 18+ COMPUTE. REND. N

Objects Now Appear Larger
Than They May Be...
Announcing our NEW
61 Inch Adult Movie TV

THE
WATERGARDEN
GAY AND BISEXUAL
MEN'S CLUB & BATHS

1010 THE ALAMEDA
SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA
(408) 275-1215
WWW.THEWATERGARDEN.COM
OPEN 24 HOURS/7 DAYS A WEEK.
MEMBERSHIP & CURRENT
PHOTO ID REQUIRED
ONE TIME MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE
MUST BE 18 YEARS

Expanded Sunning Area, too!

Van Norman

◀ Arts cover

was very beautiful, and I asked if she was going to put it in the show. Nancy (excuse the first name, but we became pretty good friends in the next two decades) said she hadn't decided yet. She had so much to choose from. The Alma de Bretteville Spreckels col-

lection was vast, and Nancy was just beginning to explore its full range and potential.

As we left, I cast a lingering, covetous glance at the bronze dancer. By that time we had been laughing for nearly an hour, so I dared ask: "Don't you ever want to put that in your bag and make off with it?" More hilarity, then she said what might well stand as her epitaph: "No, this isn't about ac-

quisition; it's about sharing."

Spreckels mansion

You see, Alma Spreckels, founder of the Legion of Honor museum and a wealthy San Francisco arts patron, had been collecting dance-related sculpture, drawings, set and costume designs for decades. In 1937, inspired by a visit to Paris' Archives Internationales de la Danse, Spreckels founded her own private museum in her Washington Street home. Between 1959 and 1962, the collection was transferred to the Legion, but it was never displayed to the public until Nancy Van Norman Baer, who had been a dancer and had a degree in art history, produced *In Celebration of Loie Fuller*.

That show and the following *Pavlova!* (1981), *Bronislava Nijinska: A Dancer's Legacy* (1986), *The Art of Enchantment: Diaghilev's Ballets Russes* (1988), *Theater in Revolution: Russian Avant Garde Stage Design* (1991) and *Paris Modern: The Swedish Ballet* (1996) all gathered international acclaim. The last two shows were not based primarily on the Spreckels collection, but were curated with French and Swedish help. In addition, Baer curated a 1994 exhibit on the Ballets Russes for a Russian state museum. Honored twice by the Royal Stockholm Ballet and the Bay Area Dance Coalition, Baer died in late 1998 of cancer, aged only 54.

The Fine Arts Museums are honoring her memory with a small but tasty show at the M.H. de Young Museum (through Sept. 5). Two rooms near the entrance feature works from the permanent collection: a 2nd-century Sicilian terra cotta dancer, a Hoffman study in bronze, Asian prints



Emil Nolde's 1917 woodcut, *Tanzerinnen (Dancers)*

from Japan, China and India, a witty Grandville colored etching depicting animals dressed for a ball, and Nancy's favorite early 20th-century period — including work by Picasso, Emil Nolde, Man Ray, and two watercolor studies of Isadora Duncan (c. 1915) by the American Abraham Walkowitz.

My favorite artist from this era is the Russian émigré Léon Bakst, two of whose voluptuous color costume sketches are included. A huge Bakst poster, titled "Caryathis" (1919), is a recent purchase in honor of Baer's memory. Also included is a gift to the Spreckels collection in memory of Nancy, a strange black-and-white piece called "Nijinsky Variations" in which multiple ghostly images of the Russian dancer are superimposed on a portrait of a theater interior. The artist is Peter Milton (b. 1930).

As nice as it is to have this minor tribute to a tireless crusader for the preservation and exhibition of theater arts, the best honor the Fine Arts Museums could bestow on their late curator would be to remember her ideal of sharing. Increase the collection and exhibit it whenever possible, preferably on some kind of permanent rotation. Nancy Van Norman Baer, with her passion and enthusiasm for dance art, woke the *Sleeping Beauty* that was the Spreckels collection; let's not allow it to lapse into a coma again. ▼

Masterworks of Theater and Dance from the Permanent Collection: A Tribute to Nancy Van Norman Baer continues through Sept. 5 at the de Young Museum, Golden Gate Park. Call 863-3330.



A piece created for The 15 Association, by Joseph W. Bean

S/M in b/w

by John F. Karr

Joseph Bean has been prominent in the leather community for a long time. He's well-known as an author, magazine editor, and much-published authority on S/M and leather sexual matters. But few people know his artwork, which takes the novel form of silhouettes cut from black paper. Silhouettes make most people think of maiden aunts or hearts and flowers, but those images couldn't be further from Bean's world. His silhouettes are decidedly, explicitly erotic, and depict the leather world he knows so well, appropriately rendered in the stark black-and-white contrasts of silhouette work. Bean's erotic art has now been collected in a mag-

azine-sized book, *Leathersex Shadows* (Brush Creek Media, paper, \$17.95).

"I do my best work when my dick is hard," says Bean, and judging from the amount of work included in the book, and its quality, he must be hard a lot. While some of the work atmospherically recalls the look and feel of backroom sex, what's most surprising are Bean's kinky inventions, whose variety of dungeon masters leaves me a little fevered. You might wind up enacting some of the scenes he depicts — or want to use some of his more simple, decorative patterns as tattoos. Bean's work is very sexy, and unquestionably unique — have you ever come across another S/M silhouette? It's not too far-fetched to think about cumming over this one. ▼

Jekyll & Hyde

◀ page 35

role to impressive results. That the program reports the lantern-jawed performer has played the driven Inspector Javert in *Les Misérables* or the dual-natured beast in Disney's *Beauty and the Beast* comes as no surprise. Wagner has a big voice, an intense manner, and an imposing presence that he deploys in a passionate performance that only skirts with campiness. (He is spelled at Wednesday and Saturday matinees by Brian Noonan.)

This variation on Stevenson also provides a dual love story, with the good Dr. Jekyll preparing for marriage to the virginal Emma (an appropriate Andrea Rivette), and the wicked Mr. Hyde spending his time with a heart-of-

gold prostitute named Lucy. Sharon Brown is improbably cute and perky as the woebegone Lucy, though she has more personality than, if not the effortlessly soaring voice, of her predecessor Linda Eder, for whom husband Frank Wildhorn composed the over-the-top ballads.

Director David Warren, hired to overhaul the touring company, knows how to maximize the impact of the sometimes dodgy and derivative material. *Jekyll & Hyde* makes the periodic noises of a musical that wants to be taken seriously, but despite a somber demeanor, it has the calculating heart of a penny dreadful. ▼

Jekyll & Hyde will run at the Orpheum Theatre through Aug. 29. Tickets are \$32.50-\$67.50. Call 512-7770.

**KEEP YOUR EYES WIDE OPEN
FOR VIDEO NEWCOMER
TOMMY CRUISE**

AUGUST 12-13 IN HIS FIRST SAN FRANCISCO APPEARANCE

JOINING VIDEO STARS

FALCON EXCLUSIVE

TRAVIS WADE

MIKE NICHOLS

JACK REILLY

CORY SUMMERS

MALEEK JONES

AND OTHERS

**TOMMY
TALKS TO YOU
976-2244 (18+/52)**

**NEXT WEEK
ALEC POWERS!**

TEENAGE TUESDAY: IF YOU'RE 18-19 YOU GET IN FREE

REDUCED ADMISSION FOR TICKETS PURCHASED BEFORE NOON.7

NOB HILL ADULT THEATRE

"FAMOUS FROM THE DAY WE OPENED"

729 BUSH AT POWELL 781-9468

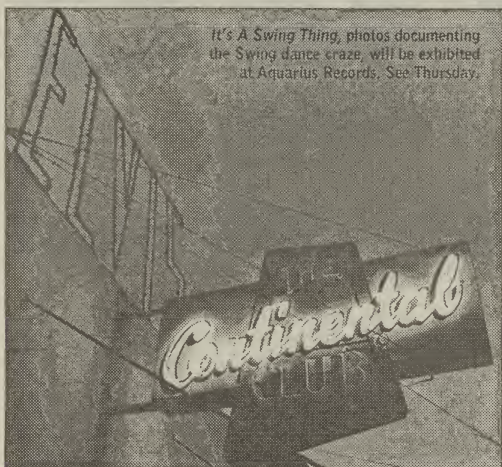
www.nobhilltheatre.com

FREE ADMISSION TO THE CITY'S ONLY 120 CHANNEL GAY VIDEO ARCADE

IT'S ALWAYS OPEN. IT'S ALWAYS CLEAN.



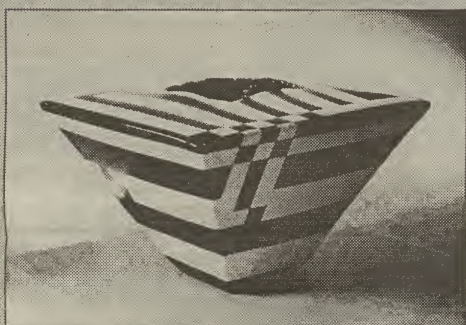
OUT & ABOUT



It's A Swing Thing, photos documenting the Swing dance craze, will be exhibited at Aquarius Records. See Thursday.

Emile Wilson

Calendare by Mark Mardon



Craft work by James Aarons

Craft queens

Judging from the popularity of those rows of craft booths that clog foot traffic at the annual Castro Street Fair, lesbians and gay men are nothing if not suckers for kitsch.

Or are we? Does anyone actually buy stuff from those booths? Maybe, but most folks seem to pause at each booth for a few seconds, survey the gaudy baubles and trinkets and faux art for sale, then mosey on, checking out baskets and tans as they elbow their way along.

Occasionally, amid all the dreck, worthy crafts can be found, exhibiting a true artist's care and sensibility. But locating such treasures requires negotiating crowds so thick that approaching the booths is almost futile, like bellying up to the Hole in the Wall bar on Pride weekend.

So what's a craft queen to do? Of course, one can visit any number of exclusive shops in the city, but far simpler, and probably far more rewarding in terms of variety, value, and convenience, is to head to the **American Craft Council Craft Show** being held this weekend at Fort Mason Center. There, some 350 top craft artists from across the nation will be presenting their works in the largest juried craft show in California.

Presumably a sizeable percentage of the show's presenters are gay, lesbian, bisexual or otherwise bent, but one gay man in particular deserves special mention. Ceramic artist **James Aarons** brings a special gay sensibility to his work, fired up as he is by a love of dance.

"I have always found dancing and the making of pottery to be kindred-spirited art forms," says Aarons, who has performed far and wide with Margaret Jenkins, Erick Hawkins, and other dance companies. "In my years as a dancer, I discovered the value that abstract gesture and form holds for me, and I try to represent that value in my ceramic pieces."

And so, at his private Natoma Ceramic Design studio in downtown San Francisco, Aarons fashions vessels and pots, tableware and artpieces with brightly glazed patterns that, as he puts it, "seem to cause the eye to dance across their surfaces," or "poise themselves balanced on spheres."

Whether or not the pieces dance for you, it's nice to know one of our own so easily makes the leap from one art form to another. ▼

The ACC Craft Show takes place at Fort Mason Center's Herbst and Festival Pavilions from Friday through Sunday, August 13-15, beginning at 10 a.m. each day. Admission is \$8 (\$14 for a two-day pass). Info: 896-5060.

Fri 13

Power Exchange

"Feast IV," the latest pansexual queer cabaret from Terrance Alan Productions. Theme: "Zodiac — Leo's Pride Party." Featuring "No Lip-Sync Tranny Cabaret" with hostess Sister Roma and performers Arturo Galster, Birdie Bob Watt, Adrian Roberts, Leigh Crow, and Johnny Kat, plus rappers Tequila Gold (Scooter and Lady Sergio). On the main stage, MC Chi Chi LaRue introduces local fashion divas and their creations; then Robert Rodriguez and his Seminal Tribesmen play exotic/erotic music while Fondue Collective Fire Dancers twirl flames. Also: dungeon displays, belly dancers, naked performance art, an amateur strip contest, and more. DJ Buttercup rules the top floor, with DJ Michael in the Electrified Forest, DJs Deena Davenport & Flynn DeMarco in the Tranny Cafe, and live ambient music by The Resonance Image Program in the dungeon. Benefits the Harvey Milk Institute. \$10 b4 10pm; \$20 after. 9pm-6am. 74 Otis St. Info: 332-7848.

Victoria Theatre

Screening: "Rice & Potatoes," a documentary by filmed in San Francisco by Todd Wilson and John Biasatti. It offers frank commentary on the issues and stereotypes surrounding Cauc/Asian interracial relationships. It screened at this year's gay and lesbian film fests in SF and LA. Also showing: "The Queen's Cantonese" and "A Seeker." \$7. Fri.-Sun. thru 8/29. Showtimes: 2pm; 4:30pm; 7pm; 9:30pm. 2961 16th St. at Mission.

The Marsh

"Exploring the Space," featuring the movement, music, and puppetry of the Right Brain Performance Lab; a performance duet by Spinning Yarns Dance Collective co-directors Susan Donham and Apryl Feech; and a work-in-progress depicting one scrappy humpbacked fisherman's tale of discovering, losing, and rediscovering one's muse. Staged in the Marsh's recently acquired 3,000 sq. ft. upstairs studio. \$8-\$12 sliding. 8:30pm. 1062 Valencia St. (near 22nd St.). 826-5750.

Yerba Buena Center

Post Modern American Pilipino Performance Project presents original works of theater, dance and music exploring personal stories of displacement, gender, politics and identity. Featuring the groups Tongue in a Mood, Steamroller, and Alleluia Panis Dance Theater. Presented by Kulintang Arts. \$12 advance; \$15 door. 8pm. The Forum at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts. 701 Mission St. (at 3rd). 978-ARTS.

Yerba Buena Center

Lamplighters Music Theatre presents Lerner & Lowe's musical *My Fair Lady*, directed by Frank Coppola; conducted by Monroe Kanouse. Featuring Heather Ullsvik as Eliza Doolittle, Rick Williams as Henry Higgins, and Norman Hall as Mr. Doolittle. \$20-\$34. 8pm. Thru 8/15 (times vary). Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Theatre, 700 Howard St. (at 3rd). Tix: 978-2787.

New Conservatory Theatre Center

Celebrating Women Festival continues with *My Sister, My Sister*, a multimedia presentation by photographer Meredith Stout and poet Zelma Brown. It's about the dignity and courage of homeless women and children. \$12. Fri-Sat thru Aug. 22. 8pm (Sundays at 2pm). 25 Van Ness (near Market). Tix: 861-8972.

Venue 9

"Tales From the Far Country," a musical comedy about Sukar, a man who must journey into the Far Country to find answers to existential questions even as he lusts after Tiger Lady, the seductress. \$10-\$15 sliding. 8pm.

Thurs-Sat thru 8/21. 252 9th St. (at Folsom). 289-2000.

Josie's

"Duboce Triangle," the gay soap, continues in summer re-runs. Tonight: "The Menacing Phantom" by Kennedy Center prize winning playwright Garet Jon Groenewald. \$10 (4-week series ticket \$30). 8pm. Also on 8/13, 14. Josie's Cabaret and Juice Joint, 16th St. at Market. 861-7933.

Sat 14

Duboce Park

"C.H.A.M.P.'s 1st Annual Day at Duboce Park." Cannabis Helping Alleviate Medical Problems hosts an afternoon of barbecue, music, spoken word and solidarity. Featuring live musical performances by Jon Hammond and Friends, The Native Elements, Stymlie & the Pimp Jones Luv Orchestra, and Bambuzal. Plus special guests and inspirational speakers. Raffle tickets sold to benefit the C.H.A.M.P. Legal Defense & Renovation Funds. Free admission. Noon-6pm. Duboce at Castro, in the heart of Duboce Triangle.

Center for African & African American Art & Culture

AfroSolo Arts Festival kicks off with a community forum: "Black Artists on AIDS: Saving Lives, Raising Awareness and Inspiring Hope," plus performances and a panel discussion. Keynote speeches by Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi and Mayor Willie L. Brown. Performances by Brian Yates (playing the characters Tyron and Brother Butler from *Still Headin' fo' da' Promise Land*) and Marijo (in her solo work, *Ashes, Ashes All Fall Down*). Panelists include public health experts, representatives of AIDS service organizations, clergy members, and the Mayor's AIDS policy advisor. Free. 11am-5pm. 762 Fulton St. (at Webster). Info: 771-2376.

Herbst Theatre

"Runway Millennium," the 11th Annual Miss GAPA & Gay Asian Pacific Man Pageant, presented by Gay Asian Pacific Alliance (GAPA). Featuring performances by Miss GAPA 1998 Stickee! and special production numbers by the Runway Gold Dancers. \$20 gen'l., \$30 front orchestra; \$50 royal box (benefits the GAPA/George Choy Memorial Scholarship for queer API youth). 7pm. 401 Van Ness (at McAllister). Tix at door or from City Box Office, 392-4400. Info: 282-GAPA.

Fort Mason Center

"A Different Drummer," the annual BACW (Bay Area Career Women) awards dinner and dance. Honoring the women who have provided leadership to the all-volunteer organization and the larger Bay Area lesbian community. \$39 dinner & dance. 6:30pm. Fort Mason Center, Officers' Club, Building 1. Open to the entire community. Reservations required: 495-5393.

Grupo Socio

Cultural Hispano

"Fiesta de Hawai'i" ("Hawaiian Party"), the monthly potluck party hosted by this social group for all Spanish-speaking gay men and their friends. With surprise entertainment. Location is near Buena Vista Park. For details, call Juan Carlos at 863-7087.

174 King St.

Futura, the Latin dance club, hosts a pre-game dance party in conjunction the S.F. Giants' "Until There's A Cure Game" (Giants vs. Mets). Enter raffle to win Barry Bonds' hand-autographed baseball. Portion of proceeds to Giants' AIDS Fund. Giveaway of Giants baseball caps. 10pm-3am. Info: 665-6715.

Asian Art Museum

"A Balinese Family Festival: The Sacred Roots of Balinese Dance." Game-lan Sekar Jaya offers an exhibit of gold-leafed dance costumes and masks, a lecture-demonstration on the art of making Balinese offerings used in conjunction with dance, and a performance focusing on the sacred aspects of Balinese dance. Noon-3pm. Gruhn Court, Asian Art Museum, Golden Gate Park. Info: (510) 237-6849.

SF Hiking Club

Join other outdoor lovers for a Loma



Mr. and Miss GAPA invite all to Runway Millennium at Herbst Theatre. See Saturday.

People's wildest fantasies come true at Feast IV, the pansexual cabaret. See Friday.



Alta Ridge hike, encompassing panoramic views from the top of Marin's hills. It's a strenuous and long 12-mile hike with a 1,500 ft. elevation gain. Meet 9am under the big Safeway sign at Market & Dolores. Carpool costs \$17, to be shared among passengers. Club info: 487-6410.

Hertz Hall, UC Berkeley

Free summer symphony concert by the UC Berkeley department of music. Featuring Aaron Copland's "El Salon Mexico," conducted by Cheryl Kofeld; Sergei Prokofiev's "Lieutenant Kije Suite," conducted by Reynold Tharp; and Beethoven's Symphony No. 6 "Pastorale," conducted by Brian Current. 8pm. Hertz Hall on the UC Berkeley campus. Info: (510) 643-7037.

Sun 15

Community Music Center

"One on One... Little is Big!" Pianist Mark Little debuts his new solo CD, "Birthright," and pays special tribute to his friend and mentor, the great jazz pianist Bill Evans. Free. 7pm. 544 Capp St. (btwn. 20th & 21st). 647-6015.

Stern Grove Festival

Acclaimed Congolese "rumbler" Sam Mangwana performs in "World Music: An African Celebration." Arrive early to claim a picnic spot. Free. 2pm. Sigmund Stern Grove, 19th Ave. & Sloat Blvd. Info: 252-6252.

Mon 16

Metropolitan Community Church

Screening and discussion of "Blue-Eyed, Brown-Eyed," a film by Jane Elliott, in which a mixed-race group of 40 people are challenged to confront society's racism, experiencing its effects personally. Elliott divided the group on the basis of eye color; within just a few hours, grown professionals became distracted and despondent, stumbling over the simplest commands. Free. 7pm. 150 Eureka St. 865-2743.

Josie's

Open Mic Gay Comedy night, hosted by Scott Silverman. \$5. 8pm. No reservations required.

Tue 17

Z Space Studio

Artists' reception: AfroSolo Arts Festival's "Visual Arts Exhibition of Work by Four Artists." Featuring Wura-Natasha Ogunji's site-specific installation, Peter Macon's mixed media, and Michael Ross's collage. Free. 6-9pm. 1360 Mission St., 3rd Floor. Info: 771-2376.

Storyville

"Beat Lounge," featuring SF's premier turntablists, including DJs Shortkut, Vin Roc, Derrick D. and more. Some of the best live scratching, beat matching, and hip hopping you'll find in the Bay Area. Tonga Kid hosts the groovy beats & breakers in the back room. 10pm. 1751 Fulton (at Masonic). Info: 560-1073.

Josie's

"Hot Pants Homo," F. Allen Sawyer's outrageous homage to the pulp novels of the '60s. \$10. 8pm. 861-7933.

Wed 18

Theater Artaud

Gala Opening: AfroSolo Arts Festival VI, featuring performances by four artists, including Blackberri, a pioneer in gay-oriented music with his uplifting music rooted in gospel and blues, and Alison Wright, continuing her mock world tour (last year, she was kidnapped in Paris) with "Ms. Thang, Whatch' Doin' in Ireland?" \$12.50 & \$16.50. Gala 7pm; performance 8pm. 450 Florida St. Info: 771-2376.

Venue 9

Footloose presents creative music night with Ronald Thompson's Spirit Park, music for 8-string guitar, saxophone, and percussion. A synthesis of graphical notation, standard notation, and improvisation make this an evening of musical discovery. \$6-\$10 sliding. 8pm. 252 9th St. (at Folsom). 626-2169.

A Different Light

Openly gay high-school teacher Tom Nussbaum reads from his novel *Completing the Course*, about the unusual relationship between a gay high-school teacher and a religious, conservative student. Free. 7:30pm. A Different Light Bookstore, 489 Castro St.

Josie's

"The Dulcimer Lady," Denver's Mimi Hinds, brings her exotic music to San Francisco for the first time. \$10. 8pm. 861-7933.

Bondage a Go Go

This dance club, started by a small group of BD/SM, tattoo and body modification aficionados over six years ago, features go go dancers, industrial-goth dance music, contests, fetish fashion-art exhibitions, and a fully interactive bondage play area. Patrons are mixed straight, gay, bi, transies. All are welcome. \$5 for folks in fetish attire; \$7 club attire; \$10 street clothes. 9pm-3:30am. 21+ 190 Folsom St. (at 8th). Info: 646-0640.

Bahia Cabana

Opening reception: "Bahia Boys



Brian Yates performs during Black Artists on AIDS at the AfroSolo Arts Festival VI. See Saturday.

Club," gay Wednesdays at this restaurant/club, featuring DJ Clay spinning high-energy dance and Cha Cha beats; DJ Steve Fabus trancing out the crowd in the Male Fantasy Room; and the Sun Gods go go boys. Food by Chef Wilson of Rio. Special exhibition at 8pm: visuals by muralist Toby, renowned for his fluorescent nudes; with champagne and Brazilian appetizers. Party starts each Wed. at 10pm. \$3 cover w/gym card or military ID. 1600 Market St. (at Franklin). Info: 861-4202.

Thu 19

Aquarius Records

Opening reception: "It's A Swing Thing," a collection of images by Emillie Wilson and Carolyn Mackin, two photographers who utilize very different perspectives and styles in documenting the swing scene. Free. 6:30-8:30pm. 1055 Valencia St. (near 22nd St.). Info: 647-2272.

Theatre Rhinoceros

Preview: Eriny Productions presents "In Trousers," a musical by William Finn. This whirlwind of music and comedy follows Marvin from his adolescent fantasies to his present marital nightmares, and finally sends him marching right out of the closet. \$15 (\$13 students/seniors). 8:30pm. Regular run 8/20-9/4. 2926 16th St. 861-5079.

Theater Artaud

AfroSolo Arts Festival VI continues with performances by four artists: poet/musician Avotcja ("True Confessions of a Sound Junkie"); storyteller Christine Carmel Atkins ("A Skinny Black Chick"); singer/violinist/dancer S.K. Thoth (an excerpt from his epic opera "The Herma: the Life of Nularin"); and spoken-word artist Starr Aché ("Dangerous Corners"). \$12.50 & \$16.50. Gala 7pm; performance 8pm. 450 Florida St. Info: 771-2376.

SFMOMA

Live jazz performance in the atrium by the Dave Mac Nab Trio (with Dave Mac Nab on guitar). Part of the museum's Third Thursday Jazz series. Half-price museum admission after 6pm (\$4.50 adults). 6-8:45pm. 151 Third St. (Museum store open till 9:30pm. Caffè Museo open till 9pm.

Josie's

"Duboce Triangle" continues in summer re-runs. Tonight: "Can I See Your Briefs?" by playwright Dean Backus, author of Best of '96 S.F. Fringe Fest's "Is This Seat Taken?"

WANNA SUBMIT?

Send your calendar event listings to:

Mark Mardon
Out & About
Bay Area Reporter
395 Ninth Street
San Francisco, CA 94103

Deadline is the Friday before issue date.

This Week's Dinner Specials



Grilled Atlantic Salmon fillet with white wine-lemon-dill sauce, vegetable and mashed potatoes or chef's rice\$12.95

Grilled N.Y. Pepper Steak encrusted with cracked pepper, brandy-cream sauce, crispy french fries & onion rings\$13.95

Chicken Cordon Bleu stuffed with honey-baked ham & fontina cheese\$9.75

Chicken Piccata and Spinach Ravioli Chicken breast sautéed with lemon & capers, served with Spinach & Cheese Ravioli ..\$11.95

Prime Rib au jus with baked potato and creamy horseradish\$13.95

Fried Calamari with dipping sauce...\$5.75

Patio Cafe

531 Castro Street, between 18th/19th
Breakfast/Lunch served from 9:00 AM
Dinner Served from 5:00 PM



we're not the what-bam-
thank-you-ma'am-a-rama,
we're the
Glam-a-Rama!
and we mean it!

417 South Van Ness at 15th • 861-6LAM

JOSIE'S CABARET AND JUICE JOINT

- Back by popular demand -

The DUBOCE TRIANGLE

A GAY soap,
but isn't that redundant?

"I Feel Love!"

-B.A.R.

August 12-September 4
Thurs-Sat 8pm + 10pm Fridays
A different episode each week
All shows \$10 or 4 show pass \$30



HOT PANTS HOMO - Directed by F. Allen Sawyer
TUESDAYS IN AUGUST 8PM \$10

SATURDAY NIGHT GAY COMEDY 10PM, \$10
DANNY WILLIAMS, PAIGE HURWITZ, JOHN DOYLE

OPEN MIC GAY COMEDY EVERY MONDAY AT 8PM \$5
AUGUST 16 M.C. - SCOTT SILVERMAN

3583 16TH STREET @ MARKET SAN FRANCISCO (415) 861-7933

cool candy @ ♦♦♦♦

cool stickers @ ♦♦♦♦

cool lunch boxes @ ♦♦♦♦

cool wrestling masks @ ♦♦♦♦

THE STATIONERY & TOY STORE

2150 MARKET STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA

415.621.0890 FAX 415.626.5729

www.citysearch.com/sfo/pulp

TALENT CONTEST at KIMO'S

1351 Polk St. and Pine St., San Francisco

Aug 22, 1999 at 4:00 p.m. Doors open 3:00p.m.

Introducing...

drag city

A fabulous new make-up line

Demonstration will precede the contest.

By Cochrane's International
Make-Up Academy and Salon
1143 Missouri St. Suite 6, Fairfield, CA, 94533
(707) 421-2975

FOR MEN AND WOMEN
Can purchase make-up line at the show

No entry fee

1st Prize: \$125.00

2nd Prize: \$75.00 • 3rd Prize: \$50.00

Hosted by

Marilyn (707) 425-2279

Auto-Erotica

4077A 18th St. ~2nd level~
Open Daily 361-5787
Lubricants~Condoms~Erotica
www.mercurymailorder.com
~Home of The Dildo Mines~

MIMO

MERCURY MAIL ORDER

4084 18th St. (2nd LEVEL)
11AM - 7PM Monday - Saturday
Online catalog
www.mercurymailorder.com 621-1188

BAY AREA REPORTER

17th ANNIVERSARY
ALL STOCK REDUCED 15%
SALE
IMAGE LEATHER
2199 MARKET ST. SF, CA 94114
9 am - 10 pm MON - SAT
11 am - 7 pm SUN
Sale ends Aug. 18, 1999

"Starting Our 21st Year"



A MAN'S BARBERSHOP

APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE AND NOT NECESSARY

2195 MARKET / 15 M-F 9 am - 10 pm
(Next to Image Leather) SAT 9 am - 6 pm
SF (415) 621-6448 SUN 11 am - 6 pm

Dream museum comes true

by Mister Marcus

Thanks to grassroots fundraising activities in leather communities here and across the country, the first-ever museum dedicated solely to the leather subculture is about to become a reality in Chicago.

Last Wednesday, August 4, Joseph Bean, executive director of the Leather Archives & Museum (LA&M) in Chicago, announced that the purchase of a property at 6418 North Greenview St. in Chicago had been completed and the deal closed. The mortgage payments begin in September and, if all goes well, the move-in will begin sometime in November. The building is located just two blocks off Clark Street near the Touché bar in the Windy City. It will house the leather community's archives and make them available for scholars, researchers, writers and activists, as well as just plain folks who take an interest in our lifestyle.

While dozens of libraries and quasi-museums in various cities house historical artifacts relating to the leather world, the LA&M in Chicago is the only one in the nation devoted strictly to the leather/SM subculture. But don't let the museum's geographical location mislead you into thinking it's only useful for Windy City folks. In fact, the LA&M is, as the slogan says, "located in Chicago and serving the world."

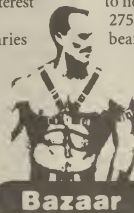
Of course, now that the museum site has been secured, there still remains the task of moving in. As of last weekend, according to Bean, "a few people have volunteered to come to Chicago from various cities to help with



The site of the new Leather Archives & Museum in Chicago.

the move. That help will amount to packing and marking at the old address, and then sorting and unpacking at the new building. It should be a great time for people who can and do come."

Volunteers interested and able to help can reach Bean at (773) 275-1570 or email him at: jw-bean@ix.netcom.com.



Bazaar

The successful purchase of the museum building is another example of the leather community taking control of its own destiny. Both on this continent and overseas, fundraising by leather people at the grassroots level made this acquisition possible. This past May alone, at the IML weekend in Chicago, some \$20,000 was raised toward the purchase of the building.

Such hard but rewarding work in the leather community serves as a catalyst for progressive thinking and grassroots activism in other parts of the lesbian, gay, transgender and bisexual communities. Already members of the

royal court system have been heard mumbling about the need for a museum and archives to serve their particular subculture.

All who contributed to the acquisition of the museum building should take pride in their actions — but don't get complacent! There will soon be mortgage payments to make, along with other necessary expenses. People's continued financial support and volunteerism is still very much needed.

To those who donate time, money or both, remember that future generations of leather people, as well as your peers, will be indebted to you for your generosity. It is you who help in making research, learning, and pride available for everyone.

Drum beats

The race for the International Mr. Drummer and Drummer Boy '99 is heating up. Last weekend, Stud Torso Productions (a new sponsor) staged the Great Lakes Mr. Drummer & Boy '99 contests in Columbus, Ohio. Big crowds materialized to watch Mike White of Lexington, Kentucky win the right to compete in San Francisco. The first runner-up was Dennis McMahon (Mr. Ohio Drummer) of Cleveland, and the second runner-up was David Bruhn of Akron.

In the Drummer Boy competition, Brian Bloomer of Columbus took the title, with Scott Stevenson (Mr. Michigan Drummer Boy) from Detroit the first runner-up and Matt Brewer (Ohio Drummer Boy) from Columbus, the second runner-up).

In Providence, Rhode Island, the Enforcers MC staged the Mr./Ms. Ocean State Leather contests two weekends ago, and while I have no photos yet, the male winner is Christoph Mulvaney, and the female winner is Mary Poppins. They compete for the ABW titles in Washington, D.C. in April.

Leather pride week

As many of you know, San Francisco's Leather Pride Week kicks off on Sunday, September 19 with the Leather Pride Walk, and culminates with the 16th annual Folsom Street Fair on Sunday, September 26. On Saturday afternoon, September 25, it's the International Mr. Drummer finals.

In between all of that, there will be several leather-oriented functions, including the traditional "roast" of the outgoing Mr. Drummer and the Drummer

next page ►



Fraser Picard (left) is Mr. Mid-Atlantic Drummer, here with his Drummer Boy, Woodie Barnes. Both will compete here in September.

POLKSTRASSE

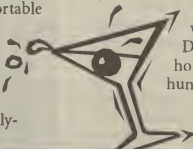
C'mon I wanna lei ya

by Sweet Lips

Don't forget the big Hawaii Weekend at Reflections next Friday through Sunday, August 20-22. Expect a discount if you're wearing a Hawaiian shirt (drink specials all weekend), and expect a few second looks if you're wearing a grass skirt. Big Kahuna John Hauser, Gaylord and the Reflections staff will be offering games, prizes, fab food, contests, entertainment, fashion statements, and a luau — a tropical island weekend to remember. Be there.

More news on the opening of the Club Rendez-Vous. I was privy to the unveiling of some snazzy architectural drawings at a recent

cocktail party at the home of proud new bar-owner David Kapp. He has some fabulous designs for the interior space of 1312 Polk St. and is sure to create a contemporary and comfortable space. I have uncovered the scoop that the popular Ronnie Lynn will be pouring Premium Well behind this newly-equipped bar. The street is abuzz about the new Club Rendez-Vous, and we can't wait to be home again. If you want to be sure to get on the invitation list to the Grand Opening, call the Clubline at 673-7934.



Cocktail Hour

Genio, our favorite graveyard waiter at IHOP on Lombard St., really gives good... service.

Kimo's announces the belated opening of their dance club Star 69, with DJs Renoir and Dustin spinning for a hot crowd of young hunks.

Saturday, August 14, starting at Noon, there will be a special birthday party at the Giraffe

Video and Chandelier Lounge for the timeless Greta Grass and all Leos everywhere. Expect yummy vittles by Dennis "Blinis 'n' Bleepers" Tyler, of course. ▼

Mister Marcus

◀ previous page

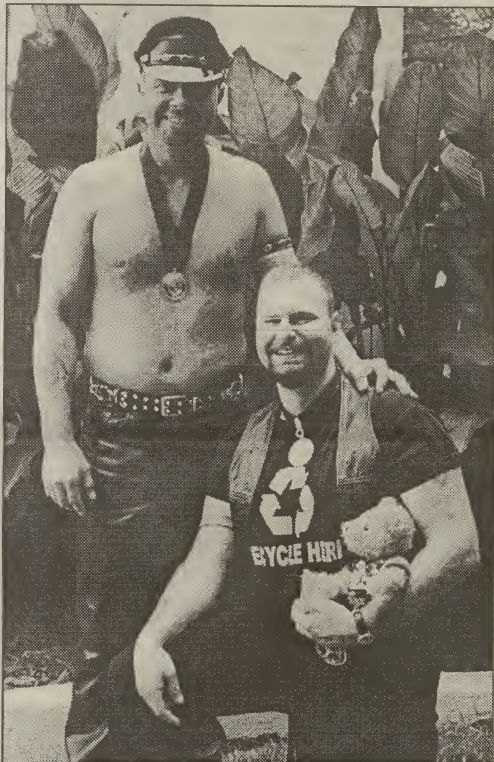
Boy. The Exiles are planning a leather women's party; SMMILE is hosting an all out press party; there will be a basket auction to establish a travel fund for the two new Drummer titles, and Jito Presents has three dance parties scheduled. Of course, none of the details of all these events has been sent out yet, but stay tuned so you can be on the cutting edge of the action.

Also a reminder: It's time to choose a new SF Leather Daddy's Boy. Todd Kepus did a great job with the title, and so they are staging the 17th annual contest on Sunday afternoon, September 5 in the Eagle patio. Application forms are available now at the Leather Zone, Daddy's and the Eagle. Get active. Go for it!

Bye bye, Beanie Baby

Lots of dish out there, but most of it is unprintable except this: A leather-ish couple has decided to call it quits after six years of married bliss. There is no dispute over dividing the house, the cars, the silver, the china or the furniture — but, honey, it's a major battle over who gets what from their Beanie Baby collection!

That reminds me of when those two, big Mid-Atlantic area leather dudes were battling over their sunflower paintings. What's wrong with this picture? ▼



Mr. Southeast Drummer, Shawn Couch, comes to SF next month with his Drummer Boy, Chris, to compete for the international title.

EVENTURES IN LEATHER

Weekend, August 14-15

In Chicago? By all means attend the North Halsted Market Days Street Fair. It's the second biggest event in the entire state, topped only by Taste of Chicago. The Cell Block hospitality awaits you.

Leather Pride Week still in progress in Portland, Oregon. On Saturday night, Don Hood places the sash on his successor at The Embers for the Mr./Ms. Oregon State Leather contests, beginning at 1900; only \$8 to get in.

Saturday, August 14

Cal Eagles MC one day motorcycle ride to the Hiller Aviation Museum in Redwood City. Meet at 0900 at Daddy's; depart at 1000. Bring \$5 for gas, tolls & lunch.

Comedy competition at the Triple R in Guerneville, with scores of comics doing their thing from 1900-2200, hosted by the dynamic Sabrina Matthews.

Leathernecks SM party at the new Castlebar, for \$12, with doors open between 2100 and 2300. You know the rules, the location and the modus operandi.

Constantines MC beer bust at the Lone Star, 1500-1900; \$7 (Connie Dogs for \$2), to benefit Coming Home Hospice.

Sunday, August 15

Mr. SFL Werner Tillinger and IMsL Pam Meyer stage a fundraiser/beerbust with auction, raffles, balloting for camp categories (\$1 per vote or \$3 for 5 votes), from 1600-1900.

GDI's "Midsummer Madness" beerbust, \$8, food, beer, Ms. GDI Pageant, and emcee'd by Mike Floyd, Mr. GDI leather. From 1500-1800.

Wednesday, August 18

Leathermen's Discussion Group, 1930 hours, at Club Eros. Subject: "The Mind of a Boy," hosted by Lance Brittain. It's free.

Underwear Buddies show off their skivvies at 933 Harrison. Mandatory clothes check. The usual tearing, scraping, groping. Call 863-HEAD.

Weekend, August 20-22

Sunset Junction Levi & Leather Weekend in Los Angeles, from 1000 to 2200 each day. Tony Mills, Zeus Studio studs, Tom Of Finland dance party. For details: www.la-leather.com

Friday, August 20

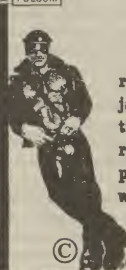
Leather Extravaganza '99 at Twining Manor. VIP tix are \$100; begins at 1600; other tickets \$50 at 2000. Lots of great food, entertainment, silent auction, Bare Chest Calendar men, Donna, TJ and Vikki Shepard. Tickets at Daddy's, Powerhouse, Leather Zone, Worn Out West and Mister S. Go!

a taste of leather

San Francisco's Original Erotica Emporium

Serving Our Community Since 1967

FOLSOM



Check Out Our:

rubber clothes
jackets
tit clamps
restraints
pants
whips & paddles

sex toys
chaps
handcuffs
caps
videos
collars



Now, TWO NEW LOCATIONS!!!

OPEN
'till Midnight
Fri & Sat!!



SoMa Store
1339 Folsom Street
(415) 252-9166
Open Daily
Noon - 8pm

OPEN
'till 10pm
Fri & Sat!!



Castro Store
2370 Market Street
(415) 552-4500
Open Daily
10 am - 8 pm



FISTING PARTIES THE SLING

Every Saturday Night

415.292.3275

www.theslingsf.com

a private club

BLOW BUDDIES
call 415-863-HEAD

Wed, Aug. 18

UNDERWEAR BUDDIES

Psychedelic trance state

How a gay kid made good, part two

by Mark Mardon

Jimmy Siegel has been making the scene since the days of Flower Power on Haight Street. He and his head shop Distractions have gone through the Summer of Love's hangover period through the coke and punk-rock eras to New Wave and beyond. Then along came rave culture.

What Siegel is real high on now is the psychedelic-trance dance scene. And as with most of his passions, he plans to capitalize on it—or lose his pants, but have fun in the process.

His obsession with the genre came about when “this cute little hippie boy comes into my store and goes, ‘Jimmy, you gotta come to this rave party with me.’”

Though he had more or less stopped going to raves—this was '94 or '95—he told the kid all right, and went on to discover a whole new rave world populated by the same “world-traveler hippie kids who had been coming in and selling me clothing and things they'd brought back from India.”

At the parties, run by the CCC, an Oakland-based collective, the DJs and live electronic musicians played Goa trance, an Indian style originated by electronic musician Goa Gil, utilizing at least 144 beats per minute.

“At the time, I didn't quite understand the music,” says Siegel. “It was very fast, and I kind of thought it was speed-freak music.”

But it attracted cool kids, all dressed colorfully in fluorescent clothes and day-glo paint, who decorated the CCC warehouse space with spectacular psychedelic tapestries brought back from Bali or India, or made themselves.

“It was this total artists' collective of about 30 kids living there full-time, and about 100 travelers. That was the start in the Bay Area of the psychedelic-trance scene here.”

Siegel soon jumped in as a rave promoter, joining first with the CCC and later with an English partner to throw psychedelic-trance parties. The first big one, held at the Club Townsend space, lost \$5,000 “because our parties were so different than most raves back then. We'd start with a big meditation; everybody would be sitting around in a drumming circle, chanting, ‘Ohm.’ Most people thought we were a bunch of freaks, like a psychedelic hippie cult. Not many people showed up, and the ones that did wanted their money back because it was such a weird experience for them.”

Everybody worked for free, and any profits went to buying equipment or to benefiting charitable causes. Medical marijuana seemed an obvious cause for a party. Dennis Peron and Siegel's crew produced a huge New Year's party at Peron's Cannabis Buyers' Club, to which hundreds came to welcome 1998. The rave party took place on all five floors of the CBC's Market Street edifice, and was the talk of the underground town for months afterward.

Blue period

“After that, the parties just started getting bigger and bigger,” says Siegel, “and other groups started throwing psychedelic-trance parties.”

Eventually, Blue Room Americas came to town, affiliated with the London-based Blue Room psy-trance record label, and the parties became world-class events. A party held jointly in August 1998 by Blue Room Americas and the new San Francisco branch of the Japanese rave magazine *Zav-tone* drew thousands of ravers to the gigantic dance floors of Custer Avenue Stages in the city's industrial area. The event saw state-of-the-art sound systems and visual projections, world-renowned electronic bands and international DJs, an out-of-this-universe fashion/performance show, and a joyous crowd of fantastically garbed young ravers.

Psychedelic trance has since taken off, sweeping the Bay Area dance scene with a vengeance. Kids are creating at-home electronic music with computers and synthesizers. The list of weekly psy-trance parties keeps growing. When Siegel hosted his own New

Year's party last year at Custer Avenue Stages, thousands came, and the \$7,000 made was turned over to help restore the Fallon Building for the planned Gay Community Center.

Now Siegel is venturing beyond producing parties: he wants to produce a radio station as well. He and a crew of young entrepreneurs have launched Thump Radio, with the goal of establishing the first all-electronic-music radio station in the Bay Area. Already the team produces a weekly 2 p.m. Sunday broadcast on college station KUSF (90.3 FM), and electronic artists jump at the chance to record shows, in large part because of where they get to produce their sounds.

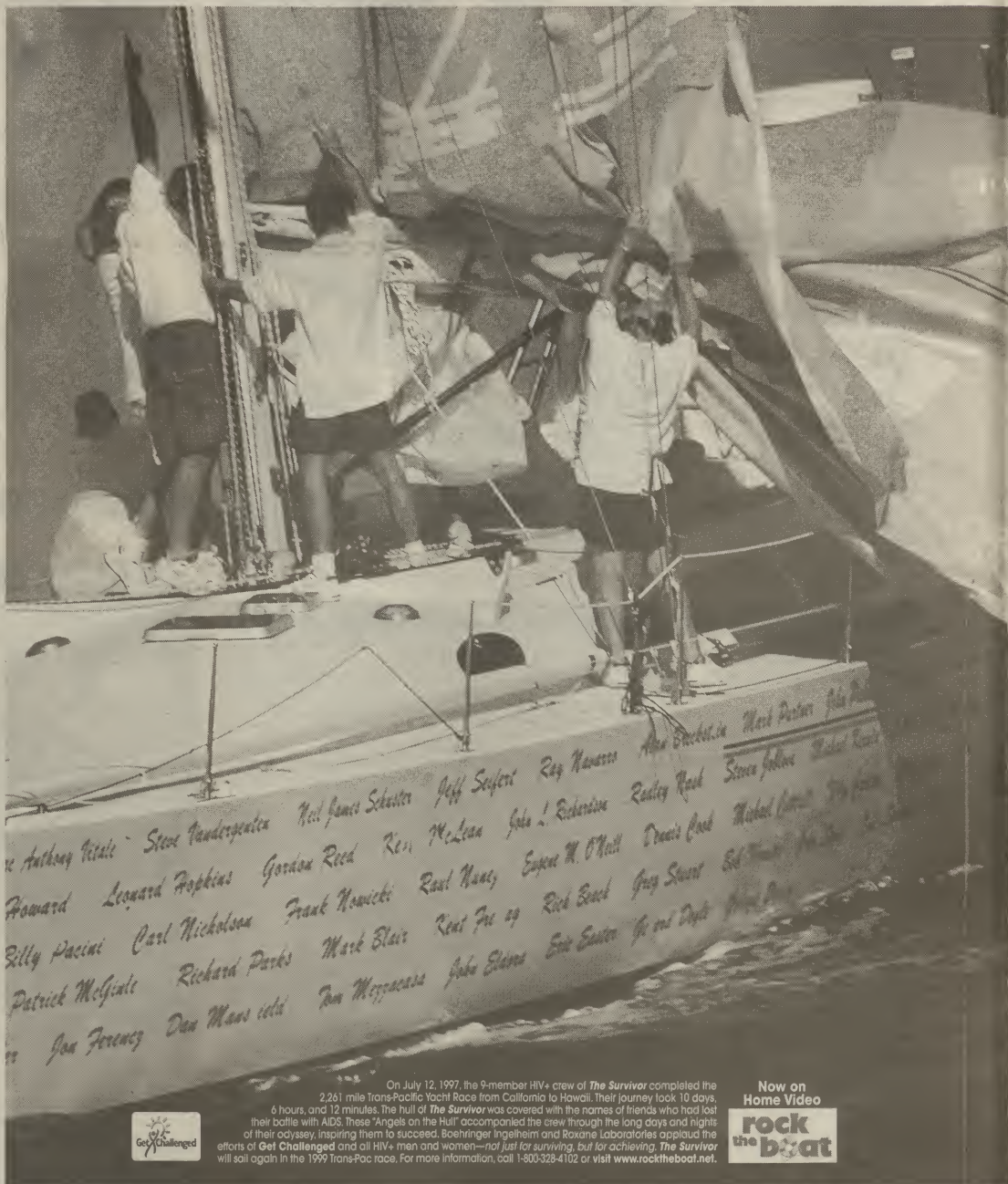
To record broadcasts on Thump Radio, DJs ascend five stories to the top of Siegel's Victorian mansion. As they stand at the turntables, they command a sweeping view of San Francisco,

page 47 ►



Jane Philomeni/Cleveland

Jimmy Siegel is high on Thump Radio's groovy electronica.



On July 12, 1997, the 9-member HIV+ crew of *The Survivor* completed the 2,261 mile Trans-Pacific Yacht Race from California to Hawaii. Their journey took 10 days, 6 hours, and 12 minutes. The hull of *The Survivor* was covered with the names of friends who had lost their battle with AIDS. These “Angels on the Hull” accompanied the crew through the long days and nights of their odyssey, inspiring them to succeed. Boehringer Ingelheim and Roxane Laboratories applauded the efforts of *Get Challenged* and all HIV+ men and women—not just for surviving, but for achieving. *The Survivor* will sail again in the 1999 Trans-Pac race. For more information, call 1-800-328-4102 or visit www.rocktheboat.net.

Now on Home Video

rock the boat



Trailer Park Trash: Harry Dodge and Annie Toone, San Francisco, 1997

DEI LAGRACE VOLCANO

Penis arranging

The masculine arts in 'The Drag King Book'

by John F. Karr

You won't be disappointed if you flip eagerly through *The Drag King Book* (Serpent's Tail, paper, \$25) to see Del Grace Volcano's color-saturated photographs of cherished San Francisco Drag Kings like Elvis Herselvis and Annie Toon. They are plentiful and excellent. But stick around for Judith "Jack" Halberstam's unusually plainspoken text, which is as accessible and immediate as the book's photographs. Halberstam skips the socio-, sexo-psycho-babble of academic jargon which has choked so many recent books on gender and transvestitism, providing instead an illuminating account of the phenomenon which reads like a chat with a well-informed friend.

The terminology to be found in *The Drag King Book* could have been daunting. Hermaphrodite. Non-butch. Trans-masculinity.

Pansexual. Trannyboy. Yet all these and many other states of genderhood are made imaginable by Halberstam's easy writing. "These are complicated self-constructed identities," she admits, and then, instead of pontificating, she cleverly lets the Drag Kings themselves explain. Her subtle yet firm guidance in a savvy mix of interview and theory keeps the Kings from getting tangled up in their newly created labels, as well.

So I won't pontificate about a scene in which I'm hardly even a tourist. That's what I like about *The Drag King Book* — it took me inside the scene, visiting in-depth with its star performers and advocates, and guiding me through its geography, from its clubs to its schools, and into the homes and hearts of its "guys." It is a celebration, foremost, but never trivial — a serious, thorough investigation. Similarly, Volcano's photographs mix adulatory and glamorously posed studio shots with tabloid-style on-the-scene action photos, as well as more intimate images of the Drag Kings dressing up and practicing their looks.

Theatrical masc

Not about lesbians with penis envy or playgirls with dicks, this book gets to the heart of precisely what is queer, and beneficial, about Drag Kings. First, a definition: a Drag King is anyone, regardless of gender, who consciously makes a performance out of masculinity. Then, a question: What will Drag Kingery accomplish? Though some of the Kings express the hope that they will do for male impersonation what RuPaul did for Drag Queens, most have a more modest, attainable

agenda. As Halberstam puts it, "*The Drag King Book* doesn't try to change the world, only to make some small claims for diversity."

This smaller scope begs another question: Why is Kingery neither as popular nor as effective as Queenery? This is more convoluted, but many of the Kings express feelings of constraint in their art. Indeed, Halberstam takes us to a Drag-King-For-A-Day Workshop in Manhattan, "where women pay a nominal fee to be instructed in the manly arts of taking up space, dominating conversations, nose-picking, penis arranging, and generally being rude and piggish." One can see in this curriculum the limitations of male impersonation, which can focus on what is least interesting in men, and which in turn shrinks the DK's persona. MoB, a leader in New York's drag king club scene, addresses this phenomenon, calling it the "flattening effect" of being a man. The male types most often parodied by DKs — homeboys, rednecks, hillbillies — are easy marks, yet even while offering more fodder for improvisation than an exec in a three-piece suit, isn't it in the latter where the power is, and from where it lies waiting to be wrested?

There comes a somewhat poignant moment near the end of *The Drag King Book*, when Halberstam admits with disappointed naiveté, "Somehow the bending of gender has failed actually to shift the dominance of male and female as the binary poles of gender definition."

Still, as the Kings themselves proudly claim, "We are remaking the terms of normal life."

To which I say, "You go, girl." ▼



Mo B Dick "Ain't No Homo," New York City, 1997

DEI LAGRACE VOLCANO

Jimmy Siegel

◀ previous page

from nearby Alamo Square to across the Bay. The house itself is beautiful, detailed with original Victorian furnishings and décor. There's a second-floor room with a 1960s-vintage collection of psychedelic posters and memorabilia — a true hippie pad. And the house boasts a rich history.

"It's a national trust property," explains Siegel, "a San Francisco landmark called the Westerfeld House, also erroneously known as the old Russian Embassy." Marconi, the inventor of the radio, did some of the first West Coast broadcasts from the mansion's

tower. Besides being a Russian social club at the turn of the century, it was also the first big hippie commune. You may have read about it in *The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test*.

The mansion was inhabited at various times by jazz musicians, hippies, rock musicians, Manson Family members, Satanists — and now a rave king.

"I'm proud to be a part of it, restoring it," says Siegel. "That's why I'm so interested in restoring the Fallon Building. Both buildings were in a very bad state of disrepair. My house looked as bad as the Fallon Building does now. But I see that with a little bit of love, you can turn an old eyesore into a diamond." ▼

WHEN THINGS GOT ROUGH
VIRAMUNE® DIDN'T
GET IN MY WAY.™

Mike Schmidt,
HIV+ crew member of *The Survivor*,
on the dosing convenience of VIRAMUNE®

"Sailing the Pacific was both a mental and physical challenge, 24 hours a day. The ocean controlled when I ate and slept. Fortunately, I had to take only one VIRAMUNE® tablet twice a day* as part of my antiretroviral combination.


"Although I chose VIRAMUNE® as part of my combination for its convenience, the goal of my therapy was to reach an undetectable viral load. At the time of the race, I was fitter than ever."

Ask your doctor whether VIRAMUNE® could fit into your treatment strategy. VIRAMUNE® is indicated for use with other antiretroviral agents for the treatment of HIV-1 infection. However, there is no cure for HIV infection. Currently, it is not known whether taking VIRAMUNE® in combination with other antiretrovirals will help you live longer or reduce the number of infections or other illnesses that can occur with HIV. You should also be aware that all antiretrovirals can cause side effects. VIRAMUNE® is associated with severe rash and liver toxicity, including fatal cases of each. Other side effects reported include fever, nausea, headache, and abnormal liver function tests. VIRAMUNE® is, however, generally well tolerated by most patients.

*Recommended dose: one 200 mg tablet once a day for first 14 days; then one 200 mg tablet twice a day.

Just two tablets a day
with or without food

Tablets, Oral Suspension

Viramune®
(nevirapine) 

Please see important information about VIRAMUNE® on adjacent page.

Reimbursement/Patient Assistance 1-800-274-8651 • Web site: www.Viramune.com • Product Information 1-800-848-0120

Boehringer Ingelheim
Roxane Laboratories

RX-2267CA-BW (4/99)

© 1999 Roxane Laboratories, Inc.

Two-headed Lesbian Michael

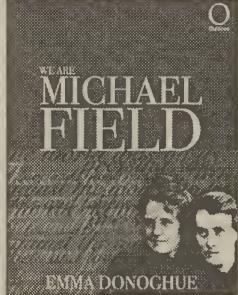
by Deborah Peifer

We Are Michael Field by Emma Donoghue; Absolute, \$9.95

The Mammoth Book of Lesbian Short Stories edited by Emma Donoghue; Carroll & Graf, \$10.95

Emma Donoghue is expert at so many things — she writes plays and novels, she's a scholar and historian, and she edits with skill and grace — that it's hard to find words to commend her latest efforts, but praiseworthy they certainly are. Each offers a look at what being a lesbian means, both historically and in the present, and as with all of Donoghue's books, each is eminently readable.

We Are Michael Field is the biography of Katherine Bradley and Edith Cooper, two Victorian lesbians, poets, playwrights, lovers, partners in life and in art who wrote under the name of Michael



Field, because they recognized early on that publishing under a man's name would garner them more notice than the same work published under their own names. The fact is that before their gender was discovered, reviews of their work were generally favorable. As Donoghue explains: "Several of their friends, noting that most reviewers knew enough to call Michael Field 'she'

The Michaels, as their friends called them, were passionate women who gloried in one another and in the power of the written word. They kept a joint journal throughout their lives together, published 30 plays and 11 books of poetry, and were written out of history by men who dismissed them as 'pathetic hangers-on.'

these days, became gradually convinced that sexist bias was working against the two writers. Certainly, it would seem just too much of a coincidence if, despite their writing better plays, their reputation just happened to decline around the same time as

their gender came to be known."

The Michaels, as their friends called them, were passionate women who gloried in one another and in the power of the written word. They kept a joint journal throughout their lives together, published 30 plays and 11 books of



poetry, and thanks to their gender and their lesbianism, were written out of history by men who dismissed them as "pathetic literary hangers-on." Donoghue captures these women with a biography that is a richly detailed, utterly fascinating read. She wisely includes several of the Michaels' poems, as well as excerpts from some of their plays, so we can judge for ourselves just what fine writers these women were. If that taste whets your literary appetite, you can find several of their poems in *Poems Between Women: Four Centuries of Love, Romantic Friendship, and Desire* (edited by Emma Donoghue; Columbia) and more in *Chloe Plus Olivia: An Anthology of Lesbian Literature from the Seventeenth Century to the Present* (edited by Lillian Faderman, Viking).

Beyond definitions

The Mammoth Book of Lesbian Short Stories certainly is... mammoth, I mean. At 495 pages, and not a dud in the bunch, this collection is an extraordinary journey through the world of lesbian short fiction. Donoghue's introduction only hints at the wonders to come, but the hints are tantalizing. Recognizing the definition problem, she writes: "The custom is to start anthologies of lesbian short stories with a good two pages of hand-writing. Given that short stories neither wear T-shirts with slogans on them nor go to bed with each other (except between the covers of anthologies), in what sense do they have sexual identities?" Donoghue leans toward a biographic rather than a thematic choice, but hopes "the varied pleasures offered by this harvest of fiction will amount to a better definition of the modern lesbian short story than any I could invent."

I've read the stories, and they do. Varied in style and sense, these stories open up worlds of lesbian ways of being, thinking, feeling. Selecting favorites to commend in such a collection is a little more painful than choosing a favorite child, but let me mention just a few that sent my heart racing. Anna Livia's "Pamelump" explores the friendship of two girls, their ability to create their own world, and the extraordinary courage involved in granting a friend's request for help in dying. "Pamelump's dad was very rich. Almost a millionaire. When his baby got born without arms or legs, he set up a trust fund for her so she could have everything she needed, or at least everything money can buy, which is not the same thing." Sara Maitland's "The Burning Times" is a terrifying tale of the dark days when women were burned as witches for thinking or speaking out or loving other women. She captures the horrors through a child's eyes, magnifying them. I cannot remember being so moved or so outraged as when I read this story. Buy this book and revel in writing that entertains, that touches the heart, that fills the soul. ▼

VIRAMUNE® (nevirapine) Tablets VIRAMUNE® (nevirapine) Oral Suspension

Brief Summary

WARNING: SEVERE AND LIFE-THREATENING SKIN REACTIONS (STEVENS-JOHNSON SYNDROME, TOXIC EPIDERMAL NECROLYSIS), INCLUDING FATAL CASES, HAVE OCCURRED IN PATIENTS TREATED WITH VIRAMUNE®. (See WARNINGS.) SEVERE AND LIFE-THREATENING HEPATOTOXICITY, INCLUDING FATAL HEPATIC NECROSIS, HAS OCCURRED IN PATIENTS TREATED WITH VIRAMUNE®. (See WARNINGS.) RESISTANT VIRUS EMERGES RAPIDLY AND UNIFORMLY WHEN VIRAMUNE® IS ADMINISTERED AS MONOTHERAPY. THEREFORE, VIRAMUNE® SHOULD ALWAYS BE ADMINISTERED IN COMBINATION WITH ANTIRETROVIRAL AGENTS.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE: VIRAMUNE® (nevirapine) is indicated for use in combination with other antiretroviral agents for the treatment of HIV-1 infection. This indication is based on analyses of changes in surrogate endpoints. At present, there are no results from controlled clinical trials evaluating the effect of VIRAMUNE® in combination with other antiretroviral agents on the clinical progression of HIV-1 infection, such as the incidence of opportunistic infections or survival. Resistant virus emerges rapidly and uniformly when VIRAMUNE® is administered as monotherapy. Therefore, VIRAMUNE® should always be administered in combination with at least one additional antiretroviral agent.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: VIRAMUNE® is contraindicated in patients with clinically significant hypersensitivity to any of the components contained in the tablet or the oral suspension.

WARNINGS: Severe and life-threatening skin reactions have occurred in patients treated with VIRAMUNE®, including Stevens-Johnson syndrome and toxic epidermal necrolysis. Fatal cases of toxic epidermal necrolysis have been reported. VIRAMUNE® must be discontinued in patients developing a severe rash or a rash accompanied by constitutional symptoms such as fever, blistering, oral lesions, conjunctivitis, swelling, muscle or joint aches, or general malaise. (See PRECAUTIONS, Information for Patients: ADVERSE REACTIONS.) VIRAMUNE® therapy must be initiated with a 14-day lead-in period of 200 mg/day (4 mg/kg/day in pediatric patients), which has been shown to reduce the frequency of rash. If a rash is observed during this lead-in period, dose escalation should not occur until the rash has resolved. (See DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION.) Severe or life-threatening hepatotoxicity, including total fulminant hepatitis (transaminase elevations, with or without hyperbilirubinemia, prolonged partial thromboplastin time, or coagulopathy), has occurred in patients treated with VIRAMUNE®. Some of these cases began in the first few weeks of therapy and some were accompanied by rash. VIRAMUNE® administration should be interrupted in patients experiencing moderate or severe ALT or AST abnormalities until these return to baseline values. VIRAMUNE® should be permanently discontinued if liver function abnormalities recur upon resumption. Monitoring of ALT and AST is strongly recommended, especially during the first six months of VIRAMUNE® treatment. (See PRECAUTIONS, Information for Patients: ADVERSE REACTIONS; DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION.)

PRECAUTIONS: General: Nevirapine is extensively metabolized by the liver and nevirapine metabolites are extensively eliminated by the kidney. However, the pharmacokinetics of nevirapine have not been evaluated in patients with hepatic or renal dysfunction. Therefore, VIRAMUNE® should be used with caution in these patient populations. The duration of clinical benefit from antiretroviral therapy may be limited. Patients receiving VIRAMUNE® or any other antiretroviral therapy may continue to develop opportunistic infections and other complications of HIV infection, and therefore should remain under close clinical observation by physicians experienced in the treatment of patients with associated HIV diseases.

When administering VIRAMUNE® as part of an antiretroviral regimen, the complete product information for each specific component should be consulted before initiation of treatment.

Drug Interactions: The induction of CYP3A by nevirapine may result in lower plasma concentrations of other concomitantly administered drugs that are extensively metabolized by CYP3A. (See CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY.) Thus, if a patient has been stabilized on a dosage regimen for a drug metabolized by CYP3A, and begins treatment with VIRAMUNE®, dose adjustments may be necessary.

Ritampir/Ribavirin: There are insufficient data to assess whether dose adjustments are necessary when nevirapine and ritampir or ribavirin are coadministered. Therefore, these drugs should only be used in combination if clearly indicated and with careful monitoring.

Ketoconazole: VIRAMUNE® and ketoconazole should not be administered concomitantly. Coadministration of nevirapine and ketoconazole resulted in a significant reduction in ketoconazole plasma concentrations. (See CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Drug Interactions.)

Oral Contraceptives: There are no clinical data on the effects of nevirapine on the pharmacokinetics of oral contraceptives. Nevirapine may decrease plasma concentrations of oral contraceptives (also other hormonal contraceptives); therefore, these drugs should not be administered concomitantly with VIRAMUNE®.

Information for Patients: Patients should be instructed that the major toxicity of VIRAMUNE® is rash and should be advised to promptly notify their physician if any rash. The majority of rashes associated with VIRAMUNE® occur within the first 6 weeks of initiation of therapy. Patients should be instructed that if any rash occurs during the two-week lead-in period, the VIRAMUNE® should not be escalated until the rash resolves. Any patient experiencing severe rash or a rash accompanied by constitutional symptoms such as fever, blistering, oral lesions, conjunctivitis, swelling, muscle or joint aches, or general malaise should immediately discontinue medication and consult a physician. Patients should be instructed that abnormal liver function tests and cases of clinical hepatitis, including total fulminant hepatitis, have been reported with VIRAMUNE®. Liver function tests should be monitored, especially during the first six months of therapy. VIRAMUNE® administration should be interrupted in patients experiencing moderate or severe liver function test abnormalities, until liver function tests return to baseline values. VIRAMUNE® should be permanently discontinued if liver function abnormalities recur upon resumption. Patients should be instructed to consult their physicians immediately should symptoms of hepatitis occur.

Oral contraceptives and other hormonal methods of birth control should not be used as a method of contraception in women taking VIRAMUNE®. (See PRECAUTIONS, Drug Interactions.)

Patients should be informed that VIRAMUNE® therapy has not been shown to reduce the risk of transmission of HIV-1 to others through sexual contact or blood contamination. The long-term effects of VIRAMUNE® are unknown at this time. VIRAMUNE® is not a cure for HIV-1 infection; patients may continue to experience illnesses associated with advanced HIV-1 infection, including opportunistic infections. Treatment with VIRAMUNE® has not been shown to reduce the incidence or frequency of such illnesses; patients should be advised to remain under the care of a physician when using VIRAMUNE®.

Patients should be informed to take VIRAMUNE® every day as prescribed. Patients should not alter the dose without consulting their doctor. If a dose is missed, patients should take the next dose as soon as possible. However, if a dose is skipped, the patient should not double the next dose. Patients should be advised to report to their doctor the use of other medications.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Long-term carcinogenic studies of nevirapine in animals are currently in progress. In genetic toxicology assays, nevirapine showed no evidence of mutagenic or clastogenic activity in a battery of *in vivo* and *in vitro* assays including microbial assays for gene mutation (Ames, Salmonella strains and *E. coli*), mammalian cell gene mutation assays (CHO/HPRT), cytogenetic assays using a Chinese hamster ovary cell line and a mouse bone marrow micronucleus assay following oral administration. In reproductive toxicology studies, evidence of impaired fertility was seen in female rats at doses providing systemic exposure based on AUC, approximately equivalent to that provided with the recommended clinical dose of VIRAMUNE®.

Pregnancy: Pregnancy Category C. No observable teratogenicity was detected in reproductive studies performed in pregnant rats and rabbits. In rats, a significant decrease in fetal body weight occurred at doses providing systemic exposure approximately 50% higher, based on AUC, than that seen at the recommended human clinical dose. The maternal and developmental no-observable-effect level dosages in rats and rabbits produced systemic exposures approximately equivalent to or approximately 50% higher, respectively, than those seen at the recommended daily human dose, based on AUC. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. VIRAMUNE® should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

Nursing Mothers: Preliminary results from an ongoing pharmacokinetic study (ACTG 250) of 10 HIV-1-infected pregnant women who were administered a single oral dose of 100 or 200 mg VIRAMUNE® at a median of 5.8 hours before delivery, indicate that nevirapine readily crosses the placenta and is found in breast milk. Consistent with the recommendation by the U.S. Public Health Service Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that HIV-infected mothers not breast-feed their infants to avoid risking postnatal transmission of HIV, mothers should discontinue nursing if they are receiving VIRAMUNE®.

Pediatric Use: Safety was assessed in trial BI 882 in which patients were followed for a mean duration of 33.9 months (range: 6.8 months to 5.3 years), including long-term follow-up in 29 of these patients in trial BI 882. The most frequently reported adverse events related to VIRAMUNE® in pediatric patients were similar to those observed in adults, with the exception of granulocytopenia, which was more commonly observed in children. Serious adverse events were assessed in ACTG 245, a double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of VIRAMUNE® (n = 305) in which pediatric patients received combination treatment with VIRAMUNE®. In this trial two patients were reported to experience Stevens-Johnson syndrome or Stevens-Johnson-like epidermal necrolysis transition syndrome. Cases of allergic reaction, including one case of anaphylaxis, were also reported. The evaluation of the antiviral activity of VIRAMUNE® in pediatric patients is ongoing.

Table 1 summarizes the marked laboratory abnormalities occurring in pediatric patients in Trial BI 882 and in follow-up Trial BI 882.

Table 1. Number of Pediatric Patients (%) with Marked Laboratory Abnormalities in Trials BI 882 and BI 882 Combined.

	No. (%) of Patients n=37
Hematology	
Decreased Hg (<8.0 g/dL)	7 (19)
Decreased platelets (<50,000/mm ³)	4 (11)
Decreased neutrophils (<750/mm ³)	14 (38)
Increased MCV (>100 fL)	13 (35)
Blood Chemistry	
Increased ALT (>250 U/L)	4 (11)
Increased AST (>250 U/L)	5 (14)
Increased GGT (>450 U/L)	4 (11)
Increased total bilirubin (>2.5 mg/dL)	1 (3)
Increased alkaline phosphatase (>2x ULN)	19 (51)
Increased amylase (>2x ULN)	6 (16)

ADVERSE REACTIONS: Adults: The most frequently reported adverse events related to VIRAMUNE® therapy were rash, fever, nausea, headache, and abnormal liver function tests.

The major clinical toxicity of VIRAMUNE® is rash, with VIRAMUNE®-attributable rash occurring in 17% of patients in combination regimens in Phase I/II controlled studies. Thirty-seven percent of patients treated with VIRAMUNE® experienced rash compared with 20% of patients treated in control groups of either ZDV+ddI or ZDV alone (Table 2). Severe or life-threatening rash occurred in 7.6% of VIRAMUNE®-treated patients compared with 1.2% of patients treated in the control groups.

Rashes are usually mild to moderate, maculopapular erythematous cutaneous eruptions, with or without pruritus, located on the trunk, face and extremities. The majority of severe rashes occurred within the first 28 days of treatment. 25% of the patients with severe rashes required hospitalization, and one patient required surgical intervention. All patients recovered. Overall, 7% of patients discontinued VIRAMUNE® due to rash.

Table 2. Percentage of Patients with Rashes in Adult Controlled Trials^a

	ACTG 241 ^a		BI 1037		BI 1011		COMBINED DATA	
	NVP+ZDV +ddI	ZDV+ddI	NVP+ZDV	ZDV	NVP+ZDV	ZDV	NVP	CONTROL
n	197	201	30	30	25	24	252	255
Rash events of all Grades and all causality	39.6%	23.9%	26.7%	6.7%	32.0%	4.2%	37.3%	20.0%
Grade 3 or 4 rash events, all causality	8.1%	1.5%	3.3%	0%	8.0%	0%	7.6%	1.2%

^a At recommended dose of one 200 mg tablet daily for the first 14 days followed by one 200 mg tablet twice daily.

^b Trial ACTG 241 was designed to report Grade 3/4 (severe or life-threatening) events; except for several pre-specified events including rash with all grades are reported.

Table 3 lists treatment-related clinical adverse events that occurred in patients receiving VIRAMUNE® in ACTG 241 and in Trials BI 1037 and BI 1011.

Table 3. Comparative Incidence of Selected Drug-Related Events in Adult Controlled Trials

	ACTG 241		trial BI 1037 and BI 1011	
	Grade 3/4 events		All severities	
	NVP+ZDV+ddI	ZDV+ddI	NVP+ZDV	ZDV alone
Number of patients	197	201	55	30
Overall incidence of related adverse events	31%	23%	42%	33%
Rash	8	2	20	3
Fever	3	3	11	3
Nausea	5	4	9	3
Headache	3	3	11	0
Diarrhea	2	2	0	0
Abdominal pain	1	2	2	0
Ulcerative stomatitis	0	0	4	0
Peripheral neuropathy	0	2	0	0
Parosmia	1	0	2	0
Myalgia	1	0	2	7
Hepatitis	1	0	4	0

Table 4 summarizes marked laboratory abnormalities occurring in three controlled studies.

Table 4. Percentage of Adult Patients with Marked Laboratory Abnormalities

	Data combined for controlled trials ACTG 241, BI 1037 & BI 1011	
	VIRAMUNE® n=252	Control n=255
Hematology		
Decreased Hg (<8.0 g/dL)	12%	2.0%
Decreased platelets (<50,000/mm ³)	0.8	0.8
Decreased neutrophils (<750/mm ³)	11.1	10.2
Blood chemistry		
Increased ALT (>250 U/L)	3.4	3.5
Increased AST (>250 U/L)	2.0	2.4
Increased GGT (>450 U/L)	2.4	1.2
Increased total bilirubin (>2.5 mg/dL)	0.4	1.2

Asymptomatic elevations in GGT levels are more frequent in VIRAMUNE® recipients than in controls. Because clinical hepatitis has been reported in VIRAMUNE®-treated patients, monitoring of ALT (SGPT) and AST (SGOT) is strongly recommended, especially during the first six months of VIRAMUNE® treatment. (See WARNINGS.)

Pediatric Patients: The most frequently reported adverse events related to VIRAMUNE® in pediatric patients were similar to those observed in adults, with the exception of granulocytopenia which was more commonly observed in children. (See PRECAUTIONS, Pediatric Use.) The safety profile of VIRAMUNE® in neonates has not been established.

OVERDOSEAGE: There is no known antidote for VIRAMUNE® overdose. Cases of VIRAMUNE® overdose at doses ranging from 800 to 1800 mg per day for up to 15 days have been reported. Patients have experienced events including edema, erythema nodosum, fatigue, fever, headache, insomnia, nausea, pulmonary infiltrates, rash, vertigo, vomiting and weight decrease. All events subsided following discontinuation of VIRAMUNE®.

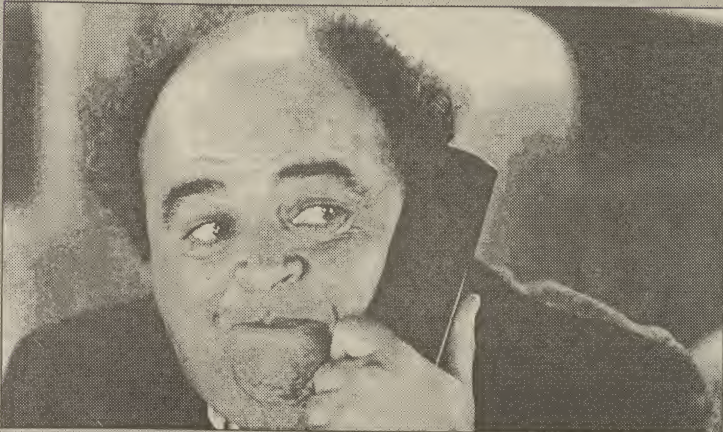
Rx only Revised 9/10/98
© 1999 Roxane Laboratories, Inc. RX-2267CA-BW (4/99)



Boehringer Ingelheim

Roxane Laboratories

A very good year for idiots



Francis Veber, the screenwriter behind *The Tall Blonde Man With One Black Shoe* and *La Cage Aux Folles*, is back with another French farce. This one's called *Le Diner de Cons* (English title: *The Dinner Game*), and it concerns a cruel little entertainment cooked up for one of those sophisticated French dinner parties. Thierry Lhermitte plays Pierre Brochant, a publisher, who must bring a guest to dinner. The rules of the game demand that the guest must be an idiot, and the player who brings the evening's supreme idiot wins.

Jacques Villeret (pictured) plays Francois Pignon, Brochant's contestant, an accountant at the Finance Ministry who reproduces famous monuments with matchsticks. Game over, except for a lot of trouble Pignon causes the snob Brochant. We're on the side of the cretin, as always. *The Dinner Game* opens Friday in the Bay Area. ▼

Cross-cultural desire

'Rice & Potatoes' at the Victoria Theatre

by Chris Culwell

One of the more popular entries at this year's SF Lesbian and Gay Film Festival was Todd Wilson's *Rice & Potatoes*, a 58-minute documentary that explores issues around gay relationships between Asian and Caucasian men. If you missed it at the festival, you can catch up with it at the Victoria Theatre, where the film plays for three weekends starting Saturday, August 13.

Rice & Potatoes is aptly titled. The film is, after all, a look at prevailing distortions of Asian and Caucasian gay relationships, as seen through the eyes of those who have experienced them firsthand. The film boasts 17 interview subjects, both Asian and Caucasian gay men, who examine a whole range of die-hard pigeonholings about the Asian-Caucasian axis, for instance the idea that all white gay men involved with Asian men are "rice queens"; that Asians typically play wife to the Caucasian husband; and that white gay men are less capable than Asians at sustaining serious relationships; that Asian men are less well-endowed than white males.

The tone of the film is chatty, often humorous, as these men relate their stories, but the point of view is firm: one does not cross certain cultural and sexual boundaries without confronting prejudice, a point poignantly underscored by one man who relates that his friends dropped him after he began dating an Asian man. Another subject notes the tension he created in his relationship when he didn't conform to the traditional image of the Asian as a passive receiver who cooks, cleans and doesn't act up.

But *Rice & Potatoes* is more than righteous indignation from the converted. Wilson's film shows that even those who ought to know better frequently entertain reductive clichés about ethnicity.



Gene Lee in *Rice & Potatoes*.

One interview subject inanely prattles on about how Asian men have "a certain smell," while another sermonizes queasily about Filipinos' soft skin. Another attributes his interest in Asian men to a fascination with "exotic cultures."

Rice & Potatoes is essentially a talking heads documentary, and though more than a few of these heads have things to say worth hearing, one wishes the film possessed some kind of visual life. Marlon Riggs' *Tongues Untied* is still the high benchmark of films of this ilk. The uncanny visual expressiveness of that watershed meditation on race and queer sex isn't just window dressing, it's a measure of the urgency of Riggs' message. As it is, *Rice & Potatoes* feels a tad undernourished. Still, it is a worthy contribution to our ongoing cultural dialogue about race and sexuality. ▼

Rice & Potatoes plays the Victoria Theatre, 2961 16th St., Aug. 13-15, 20-22, 27-29. Call 863-7576.

Hot Local Men!

Reverse-Record-Response
FREE!
100% LOCAL
Voice Personalists
USE PUB 379

916-454-4449
415-781-MEGA
San Francisco 650-452-2600
650-988-1992
Oakland 408-885-6800
San Jose

MEGA PHONE

Megaphone assumes no liability for personal meetings. 24hr Customer Service. 18+ only. © 1999

WHO'S YOUR DADDY?



COME TO THE
**POWER
EXCHANGE
& FIND
OUT!**

Free Entry*

POWER EXCHANGE | Mainstation 74 Odis St., SF, CA
(415) 487.9944 www.powerexchange.com

*EXCLUS TO NEW MEMBERS! CONFIDENTIAL ENTRY, ENTRY AND FEEING. MUST RESIST THE TENDENCY TO GIVE, DRUG, SEX, OR OTHER UNDESIRABLE BEHAVIOR FOR THIS EVENT.

OPEN 9:00am to 2:00 am DAILY (FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 22 HOURS.)

TEAROOM THEATER

145 Eddy St. (between Mason and Taylor Sts.)
one block from MUNI and BART
HALLIDY Plaza Station. INFO. TEL: 885-9887

LIVE EROTIC JACK OFF SHOWS

MON - THUR: 12:30-2:30-6:00-8:30PM
FRI: 12:30-2:30-6:00-7:30-9:00-11:00PM
SATURDAY: 1:00-4:00-7:30-9:00-11:00PM
SUNDAY: 1:00-4:00-6:00-8:30PM

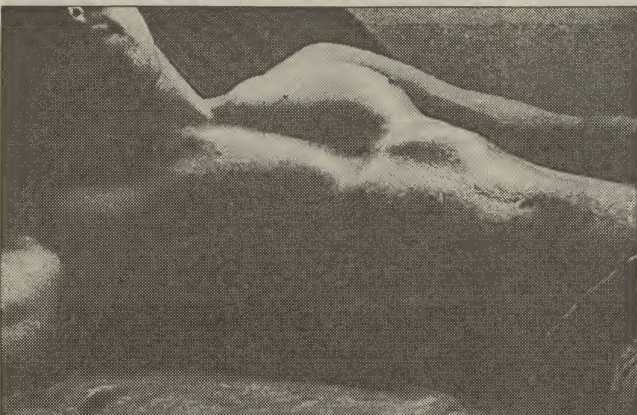
• **\$5.00 EARLYBIRD SPECIAL**
ADMISSION (MONDAY THRU FRIDAY)
9:00AM TO 10:00AM ONLY
• **FREE LOCKERS**
(\$10.00 REFUNDABLE KEY DEPOSIT REQUIRED)
• **RETURN PASSES \$2.00 EACH**
(ONE PASS PER ENTRY)

• **4 FIRST RUN VIDEOS ON MAIN SCREEN EVERY WEEK**
• **4 FIRST RUN VIDEOS IN LOWER LOUNGE**
• **3-4 ALL TIME HITS IN THE UPPER LOUNGE**

PERFORMERS WANTED: EARN CASH WAGES AND TRIPS FOR AN AVERAGE OF 20 MIN. SHOWS. IF YOU HAVE IT AND CAN DO IT ASK FOR AN AUDITION.



BARTALK



1.900.844.2227

Only 98¢ per minute to respond to ads!

Available only on touch-tone phones in the Bay Area. You must be at least 18 years old to call.

PARTING GLANCES

Diamond Heights Safeway 7/5
About 7:30pm You: brown hair, close cropped beard, glasses. Me: short brown/gray hair, goatee, motorcycle jacket. You were 2 behind me in checkout. Would like to meet! ☎ 8500

Man With Guide Dog, N-Judah
Was that you ad in Parting Glances last Winter? My black Labrador and I talked to you last fall. Heard about your ad too late. Another chance? ☎ 8501

Know Anyone In Longbeach?
Was in S.F. July 4th weekend staying at Marriott. Around 6', VanDyke beard, studying Japanese in L.A. Had long conversation in Japan Center. Didn't get name. Want to get in touch. ☎ 8502

Connor-Steamworks-7/9
We met in the steamroom. You: uncult and beautiful. Me: lean and brown. Wanted your number but situation didn't lend itself. Love to see you again, Mark. ☎ 8503

Berkeley Bart 7/3 10AM
You German with custom German bike. Meeting friends for ride, 1/2 hr late. We talked about riding. ☎ 8504

One Hand Show In Blue Robe
Sanchez/Duboce June 25th 7:30pm. I was with brother so I could not watch. I like what I saw. Like to see more call with next show time. ☎ 8505

Kabuki Theater/American Pie
You asked me if I needed lotion when you were leaving beach, July 4th. I saw you July 5th at Kabuki Theater. I would like to introduce myself. ☎ 8506

\$1 Beer, Lotus Tattoo, Nose Stud
Saw you at Sparky's diner gay pride weekend. You: sitting by the window, bleached hair, blue eyes, well built. Wanted to stop, running late. Can I buy you that beer? ☎ 8507

Louie's Barber Shop-Castro 7/17
12pm. You: Masculine WM, having hair trimmed. Me: compact guy with blue jacket reading newspaper. We smiled & cruised. Afterwards you waited for a friend while we continued flirting/coffee? Discretion assured! ☎ 8600

Dolores Park Cafe Sun 6/18 3PM
I caught your eye as we waited for our orders. Couldn't keep my eyes off you as you left. Let's make that wave goodbye more... ☎ 8601

Stravinsky/Grace/Cath/ 6/24 8pm
You: dark-skin man, sweater, penny-loafer shoes. Me: usher, blue blazer with crest, glasses. Sat at back table with you. You asked for "my card". Wanted to give you my phone #; you left too fast. ☎ 8602

Bear Weekend Russian River Mon.
Exxon Station cotati 4pm. Us-Gold Ranger/jacks. You: Market Green Srv w/ a gas hose ripped from the pump. Call us for dinner- we feel responsible. ☎ 8603

Marcello's Pizza Saturday 7/17
3:00, you shaved head brown eyes with friend. We blonde crewcut and goatee, also with friend. We exchanged smiles. Want to meet? ☎ 8604

Asian Superstar
In the all-male section at Superstar. We lingered, we looked-even smiled a bit. We should've met. Shall we? ☎ 8605

Mr. Libra w/Balance Tattoo Small
of back- Cafe Sun 7/18. Captivated w/ your beautiful brown eyes- would like to admire them during a candlelight dinner. Me: red cap/tank t, very interested, sitting 1-ft away from your girlfriend in white. I desire some balance in my life... ☎ 8606

Paulo & Miles @ Mass Pride Sun
You dancing w Miles. I'm Mike in L.A. We danced some, but I had a date. We talked a lot about our tattoos & Viagra! Let's talk and possibly visit! ☎ 8607

SFO To Portland 7/02
You: dark beard heading to softball tournament. Me: salt 'n pepper on the window with goatee, wish we shared more than N.Y. Times. ☎ 8608

Dolores Park Sun 7/11 4:45pm
Your beautiful hairy chest w/weekend scruff lying alone against black duffel bag w/round silver sides. Me: goatee, putting on shirt w/ friend in Camouflage pants. I noticed you grinned. Too shy to say "hi". Let's meet. ☎ 8609

Hall Of Justice: Early Morning
Handcuffed: You going in. Black eye. Me coming out. You smiled. I shrugged. Let's have a drink. ☎ 8610

Brad! Lone Star Beerbust 7/18/99
You: blue/grey eyes, beard, moved here from Minneapolis. Me: tall, standing white t-shirt, shorts, we smiled enjoyed sun together. Can we meet? Please call Mark. You're very handsome. ☎ 8611

Underwear Buddy
Hey Derrick, it's Will. You liked my tattoo. I said, take a break. What was I thinking? Let's finish! ☎ 8700

Ruben: 7/26 F-Market Trolley
You: nice eyes, great smile, big hands- Me: short, goatee- in making, salt & pepper hair, got off @ end of line, talked briefly, wanted to follow you home. ☎ 8701

Lukel Callistoga
I'd like to see you again and invite you for dinner- unfortunately I've lost your phone -No!- Please call me..... Christian ☎ 8702

Braided Motorcycle Rider 7-21
11am you: GAM flag on black helmet w/long braid, Lincoln Ave, Golden Gate Park. Me: blond guy, red Isuzu Redox. You looked and we smiled. You're hot, let's meet! ☎ 8703

Up Hill Parnassus To UCSF 7/6
You had just run 8mi. When the bus passed us at the top of the hill. Me tall blond. We talked, I got shy, would like to talk again. ☎ 8704

Marco Of St. Francis Sports Med
Really wanted to talk to you but there was no opportunity. I'm still interested in talking, hope you are. ☎ 8800

Polk St. Fair Sunday 8-1
You: handsome, dark hair, blue sweat shirt. Me: short, go-t, aqua-t. You walked by me listening to st. artist, smiled and stopped. Left with friends before I could talk. Missed chance. Try again? ☎ 8801

Timothy
Your name is Timothy. Mine is Greg. Spoke with you in front of Kabuki Tuesday, 7-27. Regret not asking for your phone number. Wanna hang out? I do. ☎ 8804

The Cafe/Sun 7/25 11pm
You: Daniel from Argentina, saw you the day after your birthday. Me: David, blue-green eyes from Soca. Want to give you my phone #. Please find me. ☎ 8802

Shen Hua Berkeley 7/26
I was with a friend. You were at the next table. I got one long hit of your amazing eyes. ☎ 8803

Christopher Stephens
I met you a long time ago. Some how I lost your number. Would like to talk with you again. ☎ 8705

Dario @ Wohler 7/9 Friday
You were on your Cannondale, I was wearing my tattoos and not much else. We played, then. You were going to a secluded spot, I had to leave. Call me! ☎ 8805

SEEKING RELATIONSHIP

Hot Anarcho Art Fag
Seeks delicious boys for intelligent conversation & inspired bedtime fun. Me: 26, hot tight body, piercing & tattoos, big cock. You: sexy, self aware, open. ☎ 8401

Rancher Seeks Cowboy
GWM, 40's, 5'10", black hair, brown eyes with trimmed beard, seeks GWM 25-50, n/d for ltr monogamous, honest. Rural lifestyle, not into bars. ☎ 8402

Attractive Latino
Handsome Latino 34yo 5'7", 140# black hair, brown eyes, goatee professional looking for GWM 26-40yo for friendship, or more. Me: like to go to movies, dinner, travel, hiking, just to ☎ 8403

I Love Tall Guys
GWM, 30, cute, boyish face, br/br, 5'8", 160 athletic build, seeks very tall (over 6'2"), fit, stable, relationship-oriented GWM between 25-35. Beautiful eyes, good heart, spiritual are pluses. ☎ 8404

Se Asian Men Lovers
Seeking Thai, Laos, Vietnamese and Malay men for ltr to hold, touch and kiss. I'm GWM 6' 165lbs. I travel every year to your countries. ☎ 8405

Seeking Matured Man To Service
If you are in you're late 50's to 60's, clean, trim, HIV- and interested in having your cock serviced on a weekly basis, call me! Your place, no reciprocation necessary. ☎ 8406

Spank Me
Cute college frat boy 22 needs over the knee discipline from dominant big brother. Jack strap, speeds, boxer shorts, diapers. Spank me today. ☎ 8407

Big Brown Suga In So. Bay
Big and sweet GWM, 25, 5'10"/270#. You, 6'2" or taller/broad shoulders, between 25-40 (race unimportant). Looking for friendship or something else. Let's talk ☎ 8408

Expert Cockucker
Senior GWM, 57", 130lbs, begs to worship verbal straight, hg-wetweight proportional, on a casual basis, no sm, no studs. ☎ 8409

Sacramento GWM Couple
Early 40's, looking to meet GWM 21-45, either couples or singles for friendship, fun and good times. We're sincere, honest, discreet and not into games, looking for friends who enjoy going out and enjoying the highlife as well as staying in and enjoying each other's company. ☎ 8410

Irish Looks
Adamic, 35, 205#, 6'1" goatee, Irish looks, somewhat insecure, HIV- seeks darker guy for romance friendship or play. Greatest passion- stimulating conversation. ☎ 8411

Oxymeron?
SBPM (30's) sks one straight-acting (bi-straight), non-promiscuous SWPM (educated, conservative) for private friendship and safe intimacy. Mutual massage, oral only. Clean, thick, shaved preferred. Nice feet a plus. ☎ 8412

Seeking White Lover
Are you a, romantic, friendly, 30-43, handsome? If you like GAM give me a call. Let's get together. ☎ 8614

GAM Looking For GWM
Me: GAM, 25, 5'11", 160lbs, honest, caring, relationship-oriented, cute & smooth, looking for a boyfriend. You: GWM, 23-33, honest, sexy, stable, & funny. No drugs/alcohol please. ☎ 8414

Bottom Guy Seeking Tops
Friendly GWM, 6', 155lb, 48yo, b/m/bm, seeks no-attitude tops for possible regular encounters. HIV + ☎ 8613

Hot GAM "Boytoy" W/Brain Wanted
By 35yo hot and hairy (shaved/muscular) "Daddy" type GJM. We like the Eagle/Powerhouse to Moma & Opera. We look hot and think deep. ☎ 8415

Fuck-Buddy Or Boyfriend?
Which would you like? I need some sex, a drink and a few laughs. I'm educated, employed and easy to get along with. 8M top late 40's seeking WM bottom 40 plus to hand out w/sometime. ☎ 8416

Seeking Oral-Only GBM
Me: GWM, bl/rd, HIV-, bl eyes, 5'7", 148lbs. -YES- youthful; prefer GBM, similar weight & stature, pls no drugs, smoke; I want to be your best friend; call me. ☎ 8509

Educated Asian Top In S.F.
Handsome grad student 35 y/o 5'9", 155lbs. ND NS HIV-. Enjoy music, arts, travel, romantic; seeking in-shape similar guy discreet honest under 40 to build a friendship possibly more. ☎ 8510

GBM Seeks Laid Back Dad
Attractive, 5'9", 150# in-shape, young 46, look 38, total bottom boy, seeks tall, stocky, dominant, assertive top Dad to age 50. Height/weight prop. Please. Friend.ltr. EBay only. ☎ 8511

GBM HIV+ Sks GWM/Latin
Prefer top or versatile, slim to small build up to 45. Me: 6'4, 175 lb. Share the good times and bad. ☎ 8512

GWM48(Looks Younger)WntsHIV-
Top who wants a solid relationship. Let's talk and see where we can go. I'm back in school. Maybe you want me? ☎ 8513

EB Latino ISO Relationship
Attractive, 30's, 5'9", 155 youthful face/body, clean, HIV-, healthy life, likes outdoors, hiking etc, ISO any race good shape, masculine mature under 45 male for friendship or possible ltr. ☎ 8514

Relationship Type Of Latino
I've met some good guys through this maybe you're next. I'm 28, 5'7", 165lbs. stocky, muscular, student. I'm seeking Latins or Whites under 40. N/S ☎ 8515

Affectionate Young Pervert
Seeks rough and devoted lover. I'm 37, 5'10", 155#, hard body, light ass, tattoo, professional. N2 leather, fisting, W/S, 8D/SM, Flogging, rough verbal sex... and tender intimacy. RU out there? ☎ 8516

Asian Wtd: Looking For Smooth
Muscular, Asian athletes for fun, sports, movies & more. Me, Asian professional who wants to meet other Asians. ☎ 8517

San Jose To Monterey
Tall, in-shape, handsome Aptos homeowner seeks warm-hearted, patient, caring, fit, stable 30-60 y.o. for ltr. Let's hike, play tennis, laugh and grow close. NS, ND/HIV- employed only please. ☎ 8518

I Still Believe
Partners, intimacy, adventure, excitement, and romance. These things are very close to my heart. Me: fantastix! sex, 39, tall, slim, easy-going. You: late 30's, early 40's, nice, slim to medium. ☎ 8612

Mike Redding/Cary/Watson Call Me!
We were good friends in big 8.R., your hometown. We've drifted apart over the years. Would love to see you again. Can't find you. Please call Jude. ☎ 8615

Asian Prince Charming
Attractive GAM, educated, artistic, fit, romantic, 26/5'7"/128, ISO GM. 23-35, fit, smart, nice, someone who can read my eyes. Be real. ☎ 8616

Go Out With Me!
46, bear, bald & goatee looking for a special friend to hang out with- live in Castro, also disabled (crutches), but I'm a great guy & like meeting new guys. ☎ 8617

Take The Chance
GWM, 5'10", 165. Slim gym toned. Blonde. Better than average looks. Shy. ISO slim, cute, 25-35 who know what I mean. Send up a flare! ☎ 8618

Hugs & Kisses
Are what I love: Me: GWM, HIV-, 41, 5'9", 180lbs. reddish brn/bls. ISO a GWM or GJM, HIV-, 35-45, enjoys movies, dining out, massage. Please call. ☎ 8619

Are You Single And Loyal??
Average tall stocky GWM professional 50ish daddy- type top w/average cut boner, smoker, HIV-, non-gym, non leather, looking for loyal submissive bottom w/cut boner for ltr. ☎ 8620

Black Top Male
41yr, 6'2", 190lbs, attractive, charismatic, excellent physique, seeking interracial monogamous ltr with White or Asians bottom, any age. You be serious and highly intimate & sexual. ☎ 8621

Relationship Material?
HIV+ ISO poz, masculine, ns, versatile, gym-toned GWM, professional; you're 30's-40's, GL, uninhibited; into travel, c&w, leather. I'm 50, buffed, hot, bearded, sane, educated, successful, versatile daddy! ☎ 8622

Handsome Italian
40, 6'2", 185lbs into fitness, travel, romance and quiet times, seeks another HIV negative Latin man who is sincere and romantic for monogamous relationship. ☎ 8623

Seeking Leather Top
Me: 45, 5'7", 150, workout, attractive, educated, interests, sense of humor. You: 40-54, negative, workout, GWM, short like me, dominant verbal at times. ☎ 8624

"Body"
Smooth slim big swollen nipples no hair body. For strong aggressive but gentle love making from head to toe. 18 to 25 only. No fems nor fats. GWM, 5'10", 220, ch49", 48. ☎ 8625

HIV+ Total Top Wanted
Capricorn, Cancer or Virgo preferred- love black hair and brown eyes- any race. HIV+, Concord/Pittsburgh, Taurus, 37, dirty blonde, 185, 6' foot- looking for another "survivor" to snuggle and play house with. ☎ 8626

Attractive GAM Seeks GWM
33 GAM, 5'7" seeks GWM 33-42, Me: romantic, like traveling, reading, looking for friendship and more. ☎ 8706

East Bay GWM 40 Looking To
Meet energetic GWM 21-40 for friendship, sex and possible ltr. I'm 5'10" 160 clean shaven and versatile. You should be similar. I enjoy dancing, movies & music. ☎ 8707

Hot Rancher=Super B/J@101-N
Study 6'2" GWM 225# burly bearded flat top, sucks the chrome off your trailer hitch, 40 minutes north-G.G. Bridge. 8i-ck. Multiple orgasms, + hard body A++ 24hr ok. ☎ 8708

Artsy Mod-Lounge Alternaqueer,
28, 5'7", 170# blonde/green seeks fellow freaky nonconformist free-thinking, creative guys 25-35, tattoos/piercings cool. Like: swing, golf, writing, painting, martinis, cigars, sci-fi, horror, 80's music. ☎ 8709

Bodybuilder Computer. Msce
Paralegal professional seeking lover, boyfriend in S.F. ☎ 8710

Wanna Be My Combined Son/Lover
Daddy: 5'9"/160, always 39, nd,ndst. Phi Beta Kappa, 4 published books, licensed real estate broker, cum addict/trimmer! Son: 18+ slim, presentable, brains, uncensored, self Guernville real estate w/men! ☎ 8711

Stocky Well Built Hung Lover
This is what I want: A white male 50-70, who's kissable, touchable, available, single & gay. I am 5'4, black, HIV-, and happy. 510 area. ☎ 8712

Hot Latin For Love
Seeks mature, attracting, fit, intelligent men for dating, love relationship, fun and sex. I'm 40's, 6', muscular, bright. You: 35-50, tall, affectionate. ☎ 8713

Gay Latino Looking For Love
ISO loving, caring, warm, affectionate gay males 35-50 for ltr, who likes movies, partying, kissing, cuddling. Me: 38, 5'5", 165lbs. brown/brown. ☎ 8714

Seeking E Bay Man Of Color
U R 40ish, professional, financially stable, more than bottom, enjoy life, sincere. I am 40 Mediterranean, attractive, short, good shape, table, professional, masculine, outgoing. HIV+ ok! ☎ 8715

Attractive Latino
Handsome Latino 34yo 5'7", 140# black hair, brown eyes, goatee professional looking for GWM 26-40yo for friendship, or more. Me: like to go to movies, dinner, travel, hiking, biking, etc. ☎ 8806

Seeking Slim Young Asian
Me: attractive mature GWM, 50, 5'8", 180lbs. You: slim young Asian 18- for r/l fun, Alameda. ☎ 8807

Bearded Dad
GWM in S.F. 5'9" 150#, 60's n/d HIV- ISO masc White, Latin, Black guys under 50 for mutual massage oral service. Tie facial hair a plus. ☎ 8808

Fuck-Buddy Or Boyfriend?
Which would you like? I need some sex, a drink and a few laughs. I'm educated, employed and easy to get along with. 8M top late 40's seeking WM bottom 40 plus to hand out w/sometime. ☎ 8809

Sure-Handed Hunk Seeks Boy
Lean, hard, well-defined, burly, good-looking muscledad's got a magic fist for the right boy. You be smart, focused, self-assured, willing, responsive, under 40 and well put together. It's a lot to ask, but I've got a lot to give. All you've got to do is let go. ☎ 8810

Spunk Me!
Cute little grad student 22 needs over the knee action from dominant big brother or father. Possible relationship. ☎ 8811

Four Way
One apartment, one king size bed, four HIV-men. I am 38, 150lbs, 5'10", hairy and shaved head/beard. Liberal/serious only. ☎ 8812

Bottom Fisting Pig Wanted
Great shaper hot daddy/master 55 wants a bottom boy 35+ for a tlc relationship. Tired of one night stands and want one stop shopping at home. Great cocksucker A++ ☎ 8813

BARTALK

PERSONALS ARE FREE!

CATEGORY

- ☐ Parting Glances
☐ Seeking Relationship
☐ Seeking Adventure
☐ Lesbian
☐ Fetishes
☐ Couples
☐ Others

Headline, 30 characters maximum

Write the rest of your ad here, 30 words maximum

MAIL FORM TO: BAR Talk, Bay Area Reporter, 395 Ninth Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

You must use this form to submit ads. Deadline for ads is **TUESDAY at 5 PM**, for the following week's issue. New ads run for three consecutive weeks. You will be notified by mail with information on how to leave and retrieve messages from your mailbox ad. Print clearly. No ads will be accepted without valid address, telephone number and legible text. The Bay Area Reporter reserves the right to edit ads. One ad per customer per week.

Name _____ Daytime Telephone _____
 Address _____ Evening Telephone _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Young Daddy Is Looking For Boy
If you are 18-29, WM or Latino type. Clean-cut and hot. Me blond, blue, 32, 5'9", 180#, I enjoy sports, gym, walking, shopping. Going out and more. #8814

New To SF Love To Cuddle!
Me: 5'8", 45, 5'8", slim, beard; you, 5'WM, over 45, heavy weight, thick cock/balls, hairy, no bottom, we masculine, sensual, passionate, HIV-, ISO ltr. No fens/clones/drugs. #8815

Hiking/Golf Buddies
GAM seeks a friend GWM for walking/hiking/golfing in SF or Nor Cal areas. 30's-60's no drugs pls. HIV- and healthy. #8413

Man Over 60 Wanted 4 Lover
Asian over 40 loves man over 60 that looks forward to every experience that relationship will be fun & exciting. #8816

SEEKING ADVENTURE

Let's Do It
I'll fulfill your dreams & fantasy to reality that you'll never forget. Welcome any race. 18-45 only. #8417

Latin Bottom In East Bay
30yo 5'11", 175lbs. Hot Latin bottom HIV-, cute with good body. ISO tops, you should be in good shape, good looking, HIV-, & very masc. 25 to 45. #8418

Hot Hole On The Island?
Older, plain-looking but hung top man seeks mature, well-groomed bottom in zip 94501. Conservative appearance, muscular, husky build A+. "Raw", serious, intense only. #8419

Erotic Phone Jack Off
Naked stoking my 8 inch cock while talking to horny erect guys. Sharing big dick fantasy, experiences & hot stories, meeting in person naked jackoff a possibility. #8420

I've Got A Big Mouthful Of Cock
For the right boy. I'm a daddy type, tall, trim, & hairy. You be under 40, trim & masculine. Dad's hand & watin'. #8421

Italian Top Seeks Asian Bottom
I fuck to satisfy you. respond if you want to feel good. Fit body. 36, attractive with perfect dick. #8422

Regular Cocksucker Wanted
Unconventional man with big dick, big heart, seeks frequent oral service, cock-worship. Deep throat, intelligence, humor sincerity musts, all else negotiable. #8423

Young GWM Seeks Asian Top
For hot, sweaty sex. I'm attractive, fit, 27, 6', 175#, great kisser. If you're in shape and 45, let's get together. #8424

Fisting Bottom Wanted
Love to suck my dick too, and the world is yours guy. Also into w/s, bondage, etc. Have play room. #8425

Dad Needs Bottom Boy
Roleplay, spanking, buttplay. Me: attractive, GWM, 46, 6'5", 250lbs, football players build, brown hair/moustache, hairy chest/stomach. You: attractive, GWM, 21-35, slim, smooth/moderate body hair. #8519

Hot Milk Exchange
Cute WM 6'2", 190, 36, nice dick seeks HIV- slender, medium build, hung, gldking. #8520

Pretty Cocks All In A Row
Hot daddy likes to suck 2 or more cocks. If you're a couple or single with a hot friend, call and get serviced by a expert cocksucker. #8521

GWM Transvestite Seeks A BM
I enjoy any of several roles, your fem sexual partner, dominant leather Mistress, or very submissive. I'm HIV+, 5'10", 53yrs, 210lbs. East Bay or SF. #8522

Oral Fantasies
LM 42, 6' 160lbs. The sight of a person casually sucking on eyelashes, pens, etc. really turns me on and makes me very orally submissive. Older, conservative-looking A+, but all types, ages welcome. #8532

Ready To Kiss & JO
Me: 55, pos, tall, lean, mixed-breed, ironic. You: horny, kisser, JO addict, nipple play. US: wet mouths together, oily dicks. Herbs + Got fire-may be a match? #8531

I Want A Boy To Massage Me!
I love to exchange massage, but I'd also like to be simply served by a cute boy (massage & any other service you enjoy). No experience necessary, no attitude; limitless. More possible later. I'm trim, smooth, intense, active, playful, warm, caring, supportive. #8523

Slave Wanted
Dom. GWM 57, 5'10", 180 wants slave for on going domestic and sexual service. Discipline & obedience, training. Live in possibility. Apply now. #8524

Nipple/Foot Play
Turned on by nipples and feet? WM, well-maintained 54, 5'8", trim body, nicely hung, non-threatening, wants play sessions with like-minded, not overweight, guys. #8525

A Few Good Men
For coconuts by friendly, talented 48yo, slim, short beard. Well-hung White/Black/Lat face fuckers for repeat visits, outlying SF. #8526

Dad Needs Bottom Boy
Ass massage-erotic spanking-possible roleplay. Me: attractive GWM 46, 6'5", 250lbs, husky build, moustache, hairy chest/stomach. You: attractive, GM (White, Asian, Latin), slim, smooth/moderate body hair. #8527

East Bay Cock And Ass
Healthy, E 8 White male, mature, 5'8", 155, versatile ISO other males for hot fuck/suck, Asians and Blacks A+. Be HIV-, no games please. #8528

Talent Network
Co-operate with other quality-conscious, agreeable men who discover/develop impressive performers of all orientations, 18+. Exercise creativity and exhibit his best at exclusive showcases. Play fair and be discreet. #8529

Mostly Toothless
Senior guy, 60's, 5'8", slim, healthy, congenial, would sure enjoy making love to junior guys' dicks. (toothless junior guys also invited to receive this service). #8530

GWM Seeks GBM! Much Fun!
GWM, 42, 6'1" 220 fun loving guy looking for GBM any age for hot times! I'm versatile with keen imagination. 8e up-front! #8533

267lb Man 6'2" 48 Must Be Clean
Gives good head tenders no recip. nec State HTH & Wt related courteous gentlemen wanted serious only no \$ #8534

Hairy Ass Middle Eastern
Gd looking, or eyes, hairy, chest is looking for top into FF, fucking and..... your place. #8535

Massage-JO-8" Up Nice Bottom
Needs attention discreet. I'm 60 MS. Where are G's? #8536

Get Size?
GWM 42, 6'-0", 217, short brn. hair, moustache seeks down to earth chubby guys who like it that way for fun. Facial hair, belly A+. #8537

Just Shut Up And Ride
WM 34 5'10" 200lb blond/blue muscular guy wants good looking masculine men to get pumped. Also love to get massage and jerked off- anytime. #8538

Looking For A Ride,
And I'm not talking about transportation. Tall, attractive, versatile male, swimmers build, 170lbs. Looking for goodlooking, fit proportional, versatile, hung men 23-35, who can do the distance. Tall A+ #8539

A1 Oral Service-Delivered
SF GWM, HIV-, 6', handsome, delivers complete oral service to mature, trim guys who really dig getting sucked off. Your place. No reciprocation. HIV-. #8540

My Hot Ass Needs Fucking
I'm HIV-, 33yo, tall, blond, healthy and very sexy. I love to suck and then spread my smooth velvet cheeks and take it doggie style. You are a healthy, friendly, horny hung top man on for regular, passionate, satisfying and safe rendezvous. #8627

Suck Me Off And Often
53yr old b/wm with nice dick seeks dedicated cocksucker to work it with endurance. Age/race/until. be willing to take directions. #8628

Yoeyoristic Games
Attractive GWM seeks others for J-O, contests and yoeyoristic games. Let's have fun. #8629

Great Ass Needed
Well hung uncult 8M looking for very experienced mature bottoms for plowing at your place. Looks not as important as your hot hole. Deep throat, Bears, Back, aroma a plus. #8630

Older GWM Seeks Young Man
For ongoing intimate sexual times. I'm romantic, oral, and open to a ltr. I'm young-acting. 75, 5'7", 170. Bi-curious? I'll teach too! #8631

Asian Guys Let Me Be Your Top
Affectionate, masculine, always horny with big dick wants to make love to you ass. Italian, 36, 5'8", 165#. Call if you want to be my bottom. #8632

Enter This Contest & Win Big!!
If you decide I'm your best cocksucker yet after one demonstration blow job, it's you who wins the grand prize; unlimited further sex! Uncut +, and not nec. #8633

Do You Give Good Deep Tounge?
Hot ass on sexy top needs expert exploration by firm rimmers. I am blond, hung, 8 in-shape, goatee, hairy chest and looking for your mouth, to hit the right spot. #8634

Blond Top, Hung 8" Thick
Wants to fill you up! I am inshape handsome hairy chest, 38yrs, insatiable have a goatee and want active willing bottoms for fun. #8635

Smooth Hard Young Body Wanted
Daddy big brother pair seek submissive son, 30 or under, for party and play. Let us satisfy your every need from every way! Latin/Mediterranean guys a plus! #8636

You Don't Have A Place For Sex
8ft I do! If you are married or have a lover, cum to my place for a super blow-job. You be young, fit & horny. I'm 50s fit, & expert cocksucker! #8637

Small Sensitive Dick?
Politically incorrect Black guy. Versatile top; knows about your nipples and ass, enjoys handling your privates. Great body, 5'10", 175, nice cock. Seeks masculine bottom with small, sensitive dick. #8638

GAM 36, 5'7" 140lbs HIV-Living
Ginia to be my brother. You must be HIV. Love to take a long walk, be open for anything. #8639

Give Me A Good Ride
Well built top 40's, hung big is looking for well built men (20-30's), hairy to sit on my face and cock for a good ride. #8640

Hot Handsome Hairy Healthy HIV+
Hunky, hung 48yrs, 6ft, 185lbs- ISO horny in shape hung blonds & reds facial hair, vers. A+ no attitude, no cig. #8641

****ISO Massive Nipples****
6' 180, 48yo, solid lean muscular body with an extraordinary beautiful 8 1/2" true size, shaved head, goatee, blue eyes wants to meet men with huge nipples 3/4" or more before pumping up. #8642

ISO Big Pig
Dom. 48yo mus mas WM ISO mas husky dick pig to service my fat cock & balls. #8643

Bodybuilders Wanted
80yish 26yr, 5'4", 140lbs. versatile, muscular seeking big body builders. The bigger the better. For sex maybe more. #8644

Hole Hungry Top
WM, mid 50's, 5'10", 185, short silver/gray, goatee, top. Seeking bottom, responsive hole, put on attitude. Big muscles, big dick, big smile all good. Masculine intensity, connection better. #8645

Dominate Black Topman, 45, Seeks
A mature, masculine, receptive Hispanic Man for a raw hard, fast "hole in one." Olive skin, dark hair, moustache big tumors. Fast but intense. #8646

Asian And Filipino Bottom Yea
Let me tounge & cock fuck your Asian ass with my big Italian dick- 36, good body & looks. Let's meet and play. #8647

Got A Hot Ass To Fuck
GWM 5'11" 170lbs n/s, n/d HIV-. Like to suck 7 or 8 inch and suck you off then let's fuck and get your nut's off and watch video's age no factor or race please call. #8648

I Watch:
You pose, show off, strut, play w/ yourself, etc. You get the idea. Me: handsome Latin, 40. You: well built, interested in the idea? Very discreet. Live a fantasy! #8649

Jack Off Marathon
Looking for 1 or more hot, in-shape men 20-40 to share a sex stroke session. Big dicks, hard bodies only. Your place or mine. I'm hung big. Ube2 #8650

Hot White Or Latino Bottoms
Wanted by 53yr old white male 6'6" 155lbs drk brn hair brn eyes glasses 9" dick wants to fuck hot White or Latino under 40. #8651

I Wanna Suck Your Butt
Italian bear, 46, bald, 6'-225#, goatee, attractive stud loves to suck a hot, clean butt. Interested? #8652

Boy With Toys Desires
Others for play, GWM, 38, slim build, hung, versatile seeks guys into toys, top, bottom or versatile under 40. No beads, beads or maces. Versatile, hung thick, A+ #8653

Brazilian Shameless
Ex-good guy, looking GWM under "40" for pleasure in bed one night or maybe forever. Me 36, 5'7", 132. Long hair, mas, sex all dominant, horny and bad. Get on my knee. I'll show you who's who I'll fulfill your needed dreams. #8654

Handsome Muscular Hung Italian
I'm looking for in-shape versatile hung guys who wanna fuck and suck! Shaved cock and ass a plus! I have deep throat and ass, give it up to me! #8655

Get Naked For Hot Action
Husky GWM, 55, E, 8at, top, HIV-, ISO 8M bottom. Let me lick and screw you. No, nd, no perfume. Sweaty pits A+. #8656

Poz GBM Sks GWM/Latin Top
Healthy poz GBM 6ft 175, 37 sks top to service. A+ for small built or European guys. Tell me how you want me to take it. #8657

GWM Transvestite Seeks A BM
I enjoy any of several roles, your fem sexual partner, dominant leather Mistress, or very submissive. I'm HIV+, 5'10", 53yrs, 210lbs. East Bay or SF. #8658

Asian Top Seeking Bottom Boy
Handsome educated 35, 5'10" 155lb smooth, well hung, uncult, non-smoking, druffee, seeking good-looking in-shape HIV- bottom boy into dating as well as intimacy and safe sex open to ltr. #8659

Blow Job Service
Asian, 50, 5'8", 150#, good looking, HIV-, seeking GWM w/mustache or beard, hairy body, HIV-, big cock for regular service, SF sat, daytime, your place. #8660

Big-Dicked Daddy Wants Sucked!
Tall, trim, hairy, 50's. You be GWM 20-40, trim, hungry & expert cocksucker. You'll love dad's huge, hard cock! #8661

Asian/Am Bottom Seeks 2 or 7 Tops
48yo/5'9", 160lbs bottom, br/r HIV-shaved ass deep throat/ tight seeks tops any race at least 9" and thick. LI smoker, non drinker, loves good smoke, all but pain seeks to have both holes filled at once. You'll love it. #8662

Big, Husky, Fat
GBM, 49yo, 5'11", 250lbs. big chest, hung, seeks big & fat men his size or bigger only, for versatile, uninhibited sex. Discretion a must. #8663

FETISHES

Daytime- Asshole Eater!
Get your asshole eaten by a pro!! #8664

Hot Tongue Service
For sweaty feet, toes, balls, pits, boots given by a mature deep throat expert. #8648

Need Sum Hot Black Tops
Have to put a group together the week of Wore Alley Fair, need 6 to 8 nice healthy tops. You'll have a great time. Hope to hear from you guys. #8646

Big Bearded Flat Top Bottom
GWM, 41, 5'10", 225#, brown/hazel, hairy chest, handsome. ISO all dominant, sweaty tops with rip pits, balls, feet/socks to use my holes for your pleasure. S/E Bay near 8art. #8647

Leg In A Cast?
On crutches? Broken leg or sprained ankle? Casted, bandaged, or braced? Need some TLC? Good looking 35 yo GWM interested in same to 45. Call for help. Leave details. #8649

J/O w/ Pants & Shorts Pulled Down
Belt unbuckled! Fly open! hand-on in your underwear (briefs or boxers?) GWM, 40's into J/O w/ men (30+yo) w pants (jeans, khakis, etc.) open or dropped around our legs. I'm attr. w/bard. Tell me to pull down your pants. #8650

GWM 44 Size 9 Feet Med
Build brn/bn 5'9" 165lbs. to meet other men into foot play lets get together. #8651

Complete Oral Service For
Hours for top verbal nudge, kink, sleaze, fetish +, role playing +! Not into pain or bondage. Eve & some weekends. #8654

Barefootin' Buddy
GWM, 31, slim, into natural barefoot lifestyle: always barefoot, everywhere. Wants similar guys with tough, filthy feet for barefoot outings on grimy streets. Will worship your filthy feet. #8652

Submissive 25yrs Latin Boy
Wants to be dominated by experienced men. I love to be fucked as fucked and forced to service a dominant man. #8653

Spanking
Safe, strict top spansks younger guys. Pants down, bare butt, hand or paddle. #8654

Dirty Talkin Cigar Smokin
Hairy-mustache dark hair, mustache, raunchy cop man, 40's, role playing, bath-room fantasies, underwear, seeks bottoms. #8655

Got Upper & Lower Dentures?
Like to get chewed on without 'em for long sessions. Milk me good if ya want it or just until I'm ready to pop. Deep throat A+. 8'cut, poz, 170, 41, 6' Arab/American man. #8656

Smokers Only
Love to smoke? Proud to be a smoker-smoker. I love, WM 48- totally into all smoke scenes. 8ft 140, 5'9". Novices taught, experienced rewarded. #8657

Submissive Bodybuilder Needs
True dominance master in the arts of bondage, discipline, sm, to help this submissive explore his limits and his mental/physical abilities. #8661

Hot Tongue 4 Firm/Clean Asses!
ISO lean man to spread his cheeks & stick his ass-hole in my face! I'm a WM, 6'2", 175lbs. Ub under 46, slim, & like your ass-hole sucked. My home. #8642

Foot Or Leg In A Cast?
Are you on crutches or a wheelchair? With a broken leg or foot, sprained ankle? Casted, braced, bandaged? GAM, 26, goodlooking. Call if you've fallen and can't get up! #8643

Straight Seeks Facial Cum Bath
Masculine-mature WM seeks senior citizen to jerk off on my face, while I'm on my knees, hands tied behind back face inches away, waiting on your lava. #8644

Wanted: Hot Young Barefeet
You: 18/23, boyish, skinny & smooth, White, Latin, Asian with cute barefeet. 81 male 30's, discreet, will rub massage, tickle & orally service your barefeet, maybe more? #8645

Older Bears
Very horny senior seeks older bears to service. Sucking, rimming, tit work, ws, and scene, age, weight, color. Heavyweights a big plus. #8646

Videotape Your Activity...
Senior English gent will videocam your situation. Uncious, discreet, respectful. His place is available. He will turn a trick if asked. #8731

Blond Bodybuilder 6'2" 225lbs
Seeks slaves into watersports, scat, bootlicking, foot & amput worship, dildos, tit torture, whippings. Prefer to perform for audience. #8731

Raunch Tongue Service
Red head uncult 5'10" 38, 160# love to lick sweaty balls, ass hole and drink piss. #8826

San Jose Spankings
Administered to bad boys aged 18-30. Safe, sane, and fun. Anal problings and humiliation games optional. Be ready to present your naked ass. I am handsome, age 42. #8827

Piss Top Needs It
W/masc. top, 38, 6'1", 175, hairy, ISO bitch HWP w/s bin. I'll down a six pack & you take it all. \$77 your place only; dentures A+. #8828

Tickle My Tonsils
When you slide your clean cock down my throat- give your wife a break. No reciprocation necessary. Mature fun daddy is hungry and needs to be fed. Afternoon/evening feedings times are best for me. How about you? #8829

Ride My Rimseal
Expert tongue fucker will vacuum your butt. Hot WM in SF, 50's verbal, into ass, ball, tit mansex, vanilla or ranch, squat down and spread em! #8830

Say Cheese
GWM, 45, 5'10", 210 weight proportionate, conservative, professional, bear, ISO extra ripe forkins to service. No reciprocation required. I have nice hard cock with big head. #8831

Daytime Asshole-Eater!!
Get your asshole eaten by a pro!! #8832

Bondage
Experienced bondage top, 41, 5'8", 155, HIV-, good looking, masculine, seeks submissive, masculine guy for erotic bondage and play. Limits respected. Safe, discreet, trustworthy. SF and East Bay. #8833

COUPLES

Couple Seeking GM Couple
WM 32, blond/blue, muscular, good-looking; AM 39, attractive, gym toned, both-re switchable masochists. For quality social time, for fun forkins to service. No reciprocation required. I have nice hard cock with big head. #8549

Hot Couple For Seduction
Two hot guys, late 30's, well endowed & ready for third. 20-40 for discreet passionate time. Bo Bullshit! #8550

Couple Seeking GM Couple
WM 32, blond/blue, muscular, good-looking; AM 39, attractive, gym-toned both are switchable masochists, for double date, friendship, and possibly more. Please be under 45, clean shaven, and in good shape. #8834

OTHER

Like To Lick Your Hole & Tits
GWM 53-5'11 122" 175, n/s, n/d would like to find a female about 35 to 40 White or Asian. Would like to suck hole, while watching video's. Please call. #8432

Bottom Fem
31 year old large strong and beautiful TV seeks older (50+) man or woman who is dominant and who might like to meet once a week, long term preferred. #8551

Phone Fuck/Aural Sex
Bi WM, sexy voice, creative/ imagination looking for gay, bi woman to talk with-wonderfully erotic, can go from nice to naughty to nasty- whatever you want, you decide. #8647

Seeking Beautiful Boy
Socratic, healthy, generous, attractive gentleman, 50, 5'10", 155, seeks brilliant beautiful boy, 19-25. You are of excellent quality, athletic, artistic, a little lonely, misunderstood. Tell me what you need. #8648

TRY IT FREE • TRY IT FREE • TRY IT FREE

PLAYGIRL

24 hours / 7 days • Live Shows

www.playgirl.com/free

Adults over 18 only.

COME IN & TAKE A LONG HARD LOOK

XXX VIDEO RENTALS LESS THAN \$1 A DAY!

ALL THE TOP STUDIOS

Falcon
Kristen Bjorn
YMAC

1000's of titles in stock!
ALL RENTALS 9 DAYS
NO DEPOSIT NEEDED

PUMPS
LEATHER
MAGAZINES
FALCON ACCESSORIES

CRUISE OUR 25¢ ARCADE

FOLSOM GULCH
947 FOLSOM ST.
495-6402
M-TH 10A.M.-3A.M.
FRI-SUN 24 HOURS

Spoiled fruit

by Deborah Peifer

Apples & Oranges by Jan Clausen; Houghton Mifflin, \$24

When writer Jan Clausen announced that she was a lesbian who had fallen in love with a man, the news hit dyke communities like a bomb. Here was a very public lesbian, in a very public lesbian relationship, claiming that her new relationship with a man didn't change her lesbian identity one whit. Sympathy ran heavily for Clausen's dumped lover, and the hostility against Clausen was intense. Her insistence that being a lesbian had nothing to do with who she slept with infuriated dyke separatists, and didn't entirely thrill other lesbians, either. Twelve years passed, Clausen continued to publish, but she slipped entirely from this dyke's radar screen. Her newest book interested me, however, because this is her memoir, her explanation, her response to all those women who wondered what happened, and feared, I suspect, that it might happen again, to them or their lovers. *Apples & Oranges* is, alas, self-serving, not informative, and offers tedious detail in lieu of insight.

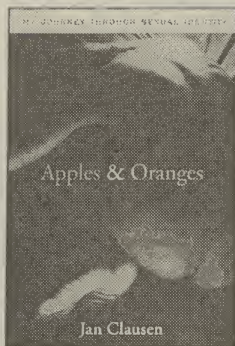
Perhaps it's low self-esteem, but I've never considered writing an autobiography. I couldn't imagine that anyone would want to read all the details of my youth, adolescence, young adulthood, adulthood. Clausen seems to think that her decision to leave a lesbian for a man renders the details of her entire life fascinating. That might be true had she any informative comments to make concerning those details, but Clausen piles on flimsy facts while skipping entirely the reasons why

those details have any import in her life, or in any larger community. This may be satisfying for her, but as a reading experience it is painfully boring.

We learn, in the course of 253 turgid pages, about every sexual encounter of Clausen's life, or so it seems, without ever learning why any of them matter to her or to us. Her changing sexual identity, which she insists is not important, seems to be the *raison d'être* for this book. I guess the happy news is that she didn't claim an identity as a masturbator, or the book would have been even longer. We don't know the names of her partners, because Clausen has, in her words, "provided the principal players with fig leaves in the form of invented names. Biographical details have also been altered as necessary to protect privacy." Now what this really means, I suspect, is that we can all guess who the characters are, but that they can't come back to Clausen and say that what she reported is false, because they can't prove they are the fig-leaved performers. It seems the fig leaf is for Clausen, not her subjects. Given the public nature of Clausen's big relationship and the public outcry that followed the break-up, changing the name of her lover seems disingenuous at best.

Through a glass darkly

And what about the lover? She appears early in the narrative, and following that manifestation, disappears as Clausen flashes back through her entire life. Consider this first description: "Les came toward me through the glass doors, distinguished in the stream of anonymous passengers by her shambling, slightly bowlegged gait and the brusque expression, almost a scowl, that kept at bay a



world she basically mistrusted." Now, my feeling is that if you're going to claim to be fair, as Clausen does, than sandbagging the person you've wronged (and given that Clausen not only cheated on her lover, but did so in their marital bed, I'd say wronged is putting it mildly) with a description that hostile seems to belie that assertion. Later references to her ex and to lesbians in general suggest that lesbians are a pretty unpleasant lot, stifling, humor-

less, and unwilling to accept the sexual fluidity that Clausen now defines as the best way to be. At least, that's the best way for all the really good people, such as, I suspect, Clausen and the man she lives with.

The details of Clausen's early years, as evidenced from her extensive quotes from the journals she kept as a teenager, are proof that no one should keep, or quote from, journals kept during adolescence. What are we to make of her assertion that she was having sexual fantasies by the time she was seven? At age 15 she writes, "I know how right I was when I said women are whores." She also recalls allowing one of her lovers, again while she was a teenager, to "hold a burning cigarette to [her] bare back." These instances, as well as many others, suggest a darkness to Clausen's childhood that deserves therapeutic investigation, but not by me or any other unsuspecting reader.

I could go on with more witless examples, but Clausen's message is actually rather simple, indeed, simplistic, perhaps even simple-minded. When she was a lesbian, lesbian was the best and only way to be. When she rediscovered the joys of heterosexual privilege, then fluid sexuality (she's far too cool to use the mundane term bisexuality to describe her sexual persona) is the best for all. It seems that fucking a man has given Clausen the moral and spiritual authority to render judgment on all things sexual. We lesbians who continue to delight in our women-loving sexual identities are, according to Clausen, backward, boring and missing the boat. She has found the truth, and we'd better believe it. Humph, is what I say to that. *Apples & Oranges* is a tedious tome, filled with the righteousness of the newly (re)converted, and not worth a whit of your time or treasure. ▼

Out There

◀ page 34

At the post-event dessert reception, starlet **Joely Fisher** was accompanied by her Mom, actress/TV moisturizer maven **Connie Stevens**, swathed in silver lamé. Man-about-town **Harry Denton** darted to and fro across a room crowded with well-heeled homosexuals mingling with characters from *Sondheim musicals*. Celebs and social-climbers were sighted bidding on such silent auction offerings as signed photos of big hams **Dom DeLuise**, **Bob Hope**, **Alec Baldwin**, **Bea Arthur**, a package titled "Tons of Stuff From *Vanna*," which included signed copies of *Vanna Speaks*



Lucie Arnaz (right) greets her fans after the benefit "Help is on the Way"

(scary!) and a signed *Wheel of Fortune* T-shirt, and lots of *Sondheim* paraphernalia. But the best part is

that "Monday in the Park with Stephen" raised \$150,000 for local AIDS organizations. ▼

MASSAGE

SEXY ASIAN

\$60 Jim 267-1817

Simply no comparison 792-8028

ASIAN GQ LOOKER

Total Zone Erogenous Massage

Jacoby 24 hr, 408-814-2295

5'7" 125# Hry Swms Bld will trvl

Any Race Size Age 18+ Kory773-9130

SFUPTOWN.COM/GUYS

Loads of Relief 715-6410 * Brad

In/Out 24 Hrs Russian Hill

Cute, Smooth, Tender

26Y/O ASIAN

In/Out-\$60

DAVE*567-7693

Best Nude Rub in SF 715-6410

Brad In/Out Cash/MC/V * Van Ness

Great Massage Relief 773-9130 Kory

SF HOTELS TOO!

Castro * Certified * Only \$40

**WANNA MELT?*

Jim de Masseur * 621-4517

Erotic nude massage by well-built 48

yo man 24hrDwtnSF 3982441Mark

Go Home Happy! * 773-9130 Kory

Erotic Athletic Massage by Brad

715-6410 Smooth, Young & Friendly

SPECIALIZING IN MEN

WWW.LACOUNT.COM

707-887-9218 Michael CMT

IN SONOMA COUNTY,

CALL JOE, C.M.T.

For a firm & satisfying hands-on

experience, your place or mine in

Petaluma * Call (707) 766-8269

Peninsula Erotic/Therapeutic M

You like being touched! I know how!

Gd/Trn/on In/Out 650-367-7528

5'7"X135#Smooth 23y/o relaxing

ASIAN RETREAT

Older Men & tourists OK 790-7888

Older men welcome. Great massage

Nude/cute guy. Don (415) 351-2034

Therapeutic/Sensual Massage By

Friendly Exp CMT \$40/hr \$50/90

Min Neil 431-5993/376-2047 pgr.

24-Hour Relief 773-9130 Kory

Smooth athletic student * Van Ness

EROTIC SPIRITUALITY

Specialized sessions Taoist/Tantric

Erotic Massage, Erotic Body

Prayer, Anal Massage, etc. A traditional

massage required before more

specialized work. For men working

on both body and spirit

LKirk Prine, EdD,CMT,Energy Body

Center (415) 552-7417

ACHING FOR A MASSAGE?

Deep, rich, relaxing, strong, therapeutic

massage for in-shape guys by

28 yr old Spanish/French guy. Student

discounts & day/eve appts avail.

Eric 841-5870

Let a pro feel your entire body

\$30 PLEASURE!

Sens/therap. msg. exp.cmts52-5364

Erotic full body massage

RUSSIAN RIVER

By sexy well-built stud. \$45

Out extra 707-865-2093 * Bob

9+yrs exp, Full Tension Release

MID-PENINSULA-CMT

In/out,days/eves,Tom, 650-345-7318

First Time Massage Experience?

Call Brad 715-6410 Nice Guy



Gay Comics #25

QUANTITY

\$7.50ea. post-paid (S&H included)\$8.00 Canada • \$9.50 Overseas



Gay Comics #24
Gay Comics #23
Gay Comics #22
Gay Comics #21
Gay Comics #20
Gay Comics #19
Gay Comics #18
Gay Comics #17
Gay Comics #16

Gay Comics #15
Gay Comics #14
Gay Comics #13
Gay Comics #12
Gay Comics #11
Gay Comics #10
Gay Comics #9
Gay Comics #8
Special
Gay Comics #1

ORDER FORM

Name

Address

\$4.00 ea. post-paid (S&H included)

\$4.50 Canada • \$6.00 Overseas

I hereby verify that I am over 18 years old.

Signature

PERSONALS

BAY AREA REPORTER PERSONALS

MASSAGE

A-h-h... Healing Massage

Sensual, Safe, Therapeutic.
Enjoy a relaxing session in
the home or hotel.

415-505-8980 Thom

SWEDISH MASSAGE



REIKI JIN SHIN
Unique Touch Experience
Derek, CMT • Reiki/Jin Shin/Swedish
(415)255-1164

Relaxing
Nurturing
Healing
Swedish full-body
massage
Upper Noe Valley
Scott Romyns,
cmt
(415) 282-6632
9:00am - 9:00pm
Photography and Design by Steve Savage 415/626-2810

FULL BODY MASSAGE
BY
Goodlooking,
Friendly, Masculine,
Discreet, South
American
Latin Male
RAUL 863-4236
email@raulso.com

Sensitive, caring touch
Relaxing, non-sexual
Swedish-Esalen massage
Near Market and Church
9:00am to 7:00pm
Kimeron Duff, CMT
415-305-4869

Wharf- Marina Area 773-9130 Kory
Great Touch, Full Body, Day/Eve

Dynamic therapeutic deep massage
13 yrs exp Noe Val \$45 Ed 647-4388

RAGIN' CAJUN
Cajun/Italian, ex-football jock
1 hour, professional, erotic, experi-
ence. 24 Hour \$50/In, \$60/Out
Peter * 552-7383

Sensual * FullBody * Therapeutic
SAN MATEO/SFO
Exp'd, trained, Joe (650)347-2937

HOT+XX-RATED
rub 24hr Hawaii-Jap Hot Loads
#1 Danny * 650-592-4620

**EROTIC MASSAGE
IN THE NUDE**
Masculine nude hairy chest and
legs, cute butt! Release
with a handsome straight acting
guy. Outcalls anywhere in S.F.
Bay 510-912-8812. Brice. Great
release after \$80

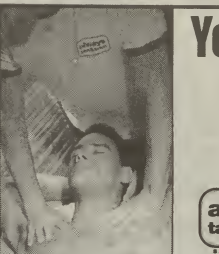
Kory 773-9130 In/Out-Nice Touch
OLDER MEN WELCOME
Best Massage - Great Touch!
Call Kory 24-Hrs * 773-9130
SF HOTEL GUESTS

Magical Massage Mastery that
heals while it pleasures from a
cmt who knows hot to electrify
the body. Oak Greg 510-547-1364

EXCELLENT BODYWORK

DEEP TISSUE MASSAGE
WITH ACCUPRESSURE AND
ENERGY BALANCING.
STRONG, INTUITIVE,
HEALING, NURTURING.
6 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE.
GIOVANNI
415-522-1909

photography by jreg bruce.
MARK CARMODY
swedish bodywork • soul nurture
certified and experienced
415 • 861 • 5441



You Deserve...

... a relaxing and therapeutic
1 hour or 1 1/2 hour massage

DEEP TISSUE • SWEDISH

10 certified massage therapists
Gift Certificates available



OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK
550-B Castro Street
415.626.8505
Major Credit Cards Accepted

• Professional
Body Work
• Affordable
Rates
**UNION AT
VAN NESS**
Alexander the Great
Established & sensitive massage
therapist practices diversified
massage techniques to meet your
individual needs. For immediate
booking, call ALEX at:
415-244-4194 (9am-9pm)

**COIT TOWER
MASSAGE**
by a certified massage therapist,
the ultimate San Francisco experience
GARY (415) 788-5505

Unique style therapeutic and erotic
massage in front of a fireplace. Out-
calls available also. Johnny 505-3060

FEEL THE DIFFERENCE
Strong, energetic and athletic CMT.
In/Out Fernando * (510) 655-4469

Incredible massage by Tall Texas
charmer 6'6 195# 60/In 80/Out
Attractive * Attentive * Affectionate
WAYNE * 252-7443

RUSSIAN RIVER MASSAGE
Total bodywork designed for you by exp
body wrkr strong sensitive healing
CMT * Mike 707-869-3236

Learn to transform stress,
insomnia, HIV, depression,
backpain, other chronic
ailments. Bart, Zen-Shiatsu
C.M.T., 7 yrs exp., Chinese
Herbs, yoga. 415/441-3865

Colonics by a hot dad * 241-0567

Nude, Sexy, Muscular 29 year-old
Expert certified massage therapist
Does sensual erotic and professional
Swedish on table. Jeff 553-8804

San Jose-Full Body Swedish CMT
\$30/hr-\$45/1 1/2 hr. In Calls Only
6AM-10PM-7 Days. Showers
Anthony * (408) 288-6169 Air Cond

**THE SACRED
PROSTITUTE:**
EROTIC BODY PRAYER
A one-day experiential workshop
for men working on the body and

SENSUALITY
An
emotional,
spiritual
experience
through
Bodywork.
Jack Walder CMT
415-447-2700

**MASSAGE BY
TONY C.M.T.**
10am - 8pm
pager
(925) 927-8225
(925) 947-0746

soul. Info/brochure: Kirk Prine
EdD, CMT 552-7417 website http:
//members.aol.com/dkprine/
index.html

Sensual nude mass. by 6' 195#
friendly playful hunk \$40 387-9451

PRO MASSAGE
Attractive blonde boy 24 offers
Swedish/Deep-tissue massage. Jason
(415) 929-9224. 24 hours 07 days
Nob Hill. In/Out * Hotel OK

**YOUR BUTT, MY TABLE
LET DAD WORK ON YOU!**
WWW.JWEATHERMAN.COM
John, CMT * 646-0920

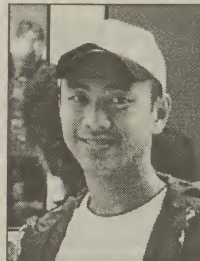
HOT MAN FROM BOISE
5'10" 152lbs swimmer build. Let me
touch upon your sore & hot spots.
Dean * 415-307-9123

CUTE ASIAN BOY
Relaxing Massage. Great Touch
In/Out * Hendry * 510-888-9571

**NIPPLE PLAY: CHARGING
THE BODY AND SOUL**
For men working on hard flexible
bodies and soft flexible souls.
Small group workshops weaving the
erotic and spiritual using nipple play
as a tool. Intake interview necessary.
Kirk Prine EdD, CMT. 552-7417.
Web http://members.aol.com/dkprine/
index.html

ASIAN TANTALIZER
Handsome boy toy. Total pleasure.
Hot/In/Out. Downtown 415-279-0533

MASSAGE



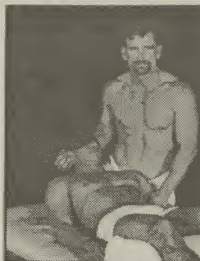
RELEASE AND ENJOY

Swedish, Shiatsu & Deep Tissue
Feel relaxed and revitalized after a
full body massage by my great hands.

Tourists and older men are most welcome.
Civic Center location. Easy parking.
\$60/hr in - \$70/hr out.

Drew CMT 415.255.0850

\$10.00 off for 1 day in advance booking



Sore Muscles? See A Pro

**Doug
CMT 681-4597**

MIKE CMT
Intuitive, Sensitive Touch
Swedish • Deep Tissue
415-290-2459

EAST BAY
RELAX-FEEL GREAT!
SWEDISH
DEEP TISSUE
NATLY CERTIFIED
JIM 510-644-1625

**Healing
Massages**
R.L. Bates
(415) 567-6847

Personal Touch
Therapeutic & Erotic
Deep, Satisfying Massage
Certified & Discreet
Daniel 626-4192 Eves/Wknds

Relax Release Enjoy a sensual full
body massage by 37 CMT 90 mins \$45
Great hands Call Stan 641-8221

YOUR FAVORITE TEXAN!!
Nude erotic playful massage
Sexy, talented, smooth, tattoos!
Friendly, affordable, In/Out
DALLAS 415-313-2031

Handsome, friendly WM 32, built
(5'10", 175#) greathands, gives full
body deep Swedish massage \$55
In/Out, SF, Marin, Days/Eves. Mike
CMT * 388-4583

HEAVEN ON EARTH
Great massage & more, handsome,
friendly & experienced 207-6025

PRO MASSAGE
7 years exp. C.M.T. Therapeutic &
Healing, In/Out 24hrs. 505-8256
Berkeley, Esalen/Sports Massage
Visa/MC Kent CMT (510) 845-3036

Exceptionally handsome 208-1763
MUSCULAR BLACK STU
Great hands. Awesome massage. \$55
Out only. Call-back required

Exhilarate in the Ultimate
BARE BEAR
massage by hairy Italian bear. 1 hour,
professional, erotic, 24 hours. Pete
552-7383. \$50/in, \$60/out.
http://community.webtv.net/Peter-
bear/PeterBearsLair.

JEFF GIBSON
CMT
626-7095
\$50

"I've had hundreds of massages
before and yours is the best- the
best of the best."

Joe Marchal, Olympic athlete

• Deep Tissue • Swedish
• Sports Massage • Cross Fiber
• Neuromuscular Therapy • Trigger Point
• Soft Tissue Release • PNF Stretches

**Swedish
Massage**
**Mike Richard
CMT**
Collector Phone
533-8181
Home
621-5569
www.massageand.com

**Therapeutic
massage**
From \$45/hr Castro Loc.
Tom DePue CMT
415.626.6560
tomdepue@aol.com

28yo Shaman*ritual*Reiki*all
scenes*erotic or not*in health or ill-
ness*let the phone ring! 6',155#
blueyes*Dillon 235-4269

UNCONDITIONAL LOVE
SF, E.B. EROTIC
Hot massage done in the nude. Let
this 6'2" 195 stallion relieve you of
your tension. Phone Anthony at 510-
533-4398.

I Strive to Achieve
EXCELLENCE
in life and my full-body erotic
massage is no exception!
I am a very defined,
handsome, blond gymnast.
\$55 * Kevin * 864-1190

Hot erotic massage 1hr \$35 641-9058
Excellent strong massage by HIV Ng
handsome Latin uncult man page
Sergio 415-207-8123

EAST BAY SPECIAL
Prof. muscular massage for body
builders & jocks. Sensual 6'180# swr
bld hunk assures satisfact. Aug 15-21
only (510) 547-5449

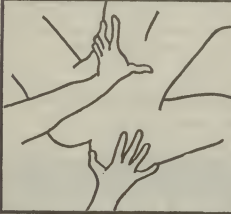
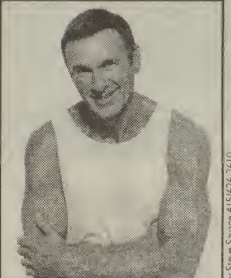
Deep tissue, Swedish, Full-body erotic
massage by yng blind bb-trainer
Jeff \$55 In/Out * 864-1190

Handsome 25 yr Jock w/5 yrs exp
NEW IN TOWN
Full Body Erotic Swedish Massage
6'170# In/Out \$50 Alex 503-0453

MASSAGE

Butt Adventures

Journey into butt attention. Explore rare erotic **BUTT TECHNIQUES** delightfully blended into **FULL BODY** massage. By Appointment. \$80. San Bruno. 650 875-8130

**Strong Bodywork**

You're in Good Hands! Treat Yourself to the BEST. Certified, 10 years/Castro Tom Lombardo 553-4073

Photo and design by Steve Savage 415/626-2610

NOB HILL

Swedish/Deep Tissue Massage. Blonde Hair Blue Eyes 24. JASON (CMT) 415-929-9224. 24 Hours In/Out 7 days

ITALIAN NICE.

PAUL 469-2928

ECSTASY EXPERIENCE

By hot, sexy, muscular masseur, 30 Seeking athletic, muscular men for unique non-routine massage+. In/Out Pg-VM 303-4895 7AM-Midnight

Best massage in East Bay Ex-Int'l. model new in US 27 6'1" 160. Pref pampering mature men over 45 who value quality \$65 510-532-5603

TOTALLY PROFESSIONAL therapeutic massage by handsome muscular man chiropractor moonlight \$45/Hour * (510) 654-3700

NOB HILL BLONDE 24 Attractive German boy gives full-body Swedish/Deep Tissue massage using table and hot oil. In/Out 24hours 07 days. (415) 929-9224 Jason CMT. Hotels OK

Relaxing &/or Erotic by a very smth nude masc. Asian. 560-6353

Cute, fit, 29, hard, shaved bod **NAKED MARINE** Mutual touching. 415-289-7002

THAT NEEDED TOUCH Healing, sensual, Swedish, full-body massage by very friendly, intuitive, gdlkg CMT. Warm, cozy studio. \$50/hr., \$65/90min. Page Delano at 415-376-5770

JAPANESE \$60 * Ken * 668-0640

BODYWORK BY BILLUM 510-839-8747

HEALING HANDS

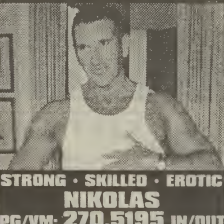
Full-Body DeepTissue Swedish Massage

10 am to Midnight In/Out Credit Cards Accepted

Mike 415-440-4777 e-mail: sfhands@aol.com

BLAISE MARTIN

MASSAGE THERAPY * 415-999-6143

THOROUGH MASSAGE

STRONG • SKILLED • EROTIC NIKOLAS PG/VM: 270.5195 IN/OUT

iCaliente!

24 y.o., Super Handsome, Dreamboy Latino with Gymnast Build, 5'5", 145 lbs. of Rock Hard Muscle! Certified in Switzerland Treat yourself to International Pampering! You deserve the best! Paco 487-9575 Pgr-245-3942

EXOTIC ISRAELI

Great massage by very handsome Experienced Friendly CMT 245-1352

TOUCH BY CHAKRA MAN Unique combo off massage, chakra energy work+erotic release by gym buff healer (510) 547-5449

Nude erotic sensual massage by **ATTRACTIVE AMERASIAN** Eves/Wkends Ramon * 415-902-5985

Totally relaxing sensual touch! **\$30 FEEL GOOD MASSAGE** Therapy you need 4u CMT 552-5364

TANTRIC RITUAL Bodywork Kundalini-Raise the wand of light \$75/session. Leave msg for Spawn 415-255-1164

Tailored Touch to sooth and serve your needs. Dan * 775-4623

EXCEPTIONAL MASSAGE Dave * 207-6178

Husky, hairy, naked tasttooed Dad soothes you with Swedish/Erotic Massage \$50 Buzz, CMT 863-2094

IN SONOMA COUNTY, CALL JOE, C.M.T. For a firm & satisfying hands-on experience. Your place or mine in Petaluma * Call (707) 766-8269

Smooth relaxing hands 6'1, 185 Hndsm. Full Body Swedish \$45/in \$55/Out. Rob: (415) 245-1984

NUDE XX MASSAGE

ITALIAN 36 5'8" 42" 160 lbs TONY 210-0402 \$60/out only

PROFESSIONAL SWEDISH MASSAGE CMT In/Out

DENIS 297-0985

NAKED & X RATED

Very Erotic Massage Muscular, Masculine, Mature Man. Great Chest and Ass. Swedish CMT \$50in/\$60out Personal Training Too. 305-6424

Paul C.M.T. 252-7449

Swedish Deep Tissue Erotic Serious to pure pleasure unhurried in perfect balance everytime

HANDSOME ASIAN BOYS Smooth, sexy, exotic touch 4 you Call (415) 929-1577 (1/60-080) 24Hrs

Young endowed hard-bodied man rubs you to release * 775-4623

I am a classically trained dancer. Been doing body work since I was 12. I am versatile and my method to massage is relaxing sensual & skilled. 80+1hour 120+1.5. 510-287-5827. Out or office

Nude erotic full body massage Daniel 775-4623

CUTE ASIAN GUYS Massage Swedish Pgr: 270-9752

EROTIC MASK MAKING For men working on body and soul. Three sessions using erotic play, meditative mask making and processing to integrate the erotic and spiritual. Kirk Prime Edd, CMT 552-7417. Intake interview necessary. Web http://members.aol.com/drkrprime/index.html

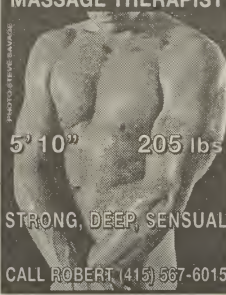
Tender Massage by Bear 339-7465

Relaxing & Sensual Massage \$40/Hr. 5'8" 150Lb boyish 45 333-3424

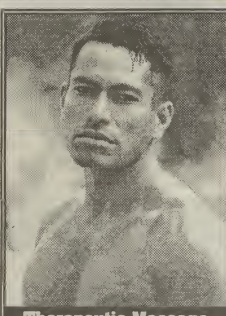
A Man's Massage by good-looking dude Out Only * 650-938-3728

ORIENTAL MASSAGE Full-body by yg Asian. Out Only. (SF-S.Mateo) Pg (650) 373-8570

NOTHING BUTT PLEASURE!! CALL TOM * (707) 887-0858

PROFESSIONAL MASSAGE THERAPIST

5'10" 205 lbs STRONG, DEEP, SENSUAL CALL ROBERT (415) 567-6015



Therapeutic Massage by Strong, Friendly CMT Swedish/Deep Tissue LEKI 415-553-4111

BODY inBLISS

Swedish Deep Tissue Sports Shiatsu Accupressure

Nude Swedish Massage

SENSUOUS TOUCH Eric 564-6277 \$40/IN \$50/OUT

Eastbay Comfort Warmth & More Sensual Massage by Nude Masseuse Bob \$25/Hr. 510 843 4408

SANTA ROSA HIDEAWAY Superb massage-Swedish to firm disciplined+fantasies explored by mature masseur in remote country setting. Also, group massage and social programs. Roger 707-525-1771, www.sr-hideaway.com

WALNUT CREEK Fullbody energy massage 8AM 8PM \$35 Hr 925 256 7135 Rod Returns

MALE SOUL BODYWORK Explore the soul through the body. Massage intentional touch/intuitive reading, energy clearing 646-0685

Fullbody Erotic Massage & Enemas **SLENDER, CHUBBYCHASER** Oakland studio Paul (510) 336-1999 http://www.massagerotic.com

Oakland Swedish sensual massage Young goodlooking CMT in/\$50 24/7 (510) 763-4602 * Duane

26yo 5'6" 140" very handsome Erotic Swedish style massage 40/hr Out Only 408/415-0410

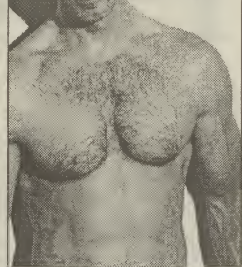
UNIQUE EUROPEAN MASSAGE By well-fit masseur * 221-9004

NAKED CMT - BRADLEY \$50 out only * 415-378-4170

Great peccs. Perfect butt. \$55 * Out **VGL GIFTED BLACK MAN** Intuitive Touch. Larry 208-1763

Relax & enjoy erotic massage Berk & W.C. Paul 510-908-9090

PAUL CMT 9AM-9PM 522-1821

**JEFF**

5'11" 150# B7/B1 Great Touch Super Friendly Convenient Location CMT 415-863-6420



ANTON 459-4217 10am-11pm

WALNUT CREEK

Hot man. Strong hands. Great massage! (925) 938-2416

Massage by Asian 28 yr slim guy In Call 50/Out Call 70 South Bay 408 406 8683. Call me soon.

CONTRA COSTA

Masculine, muscular, hairy, hung Therapeutic/sensual Massage (925) 938-2416

Lose weight erotically thru colonic irrigation. Paul (510) 3361999

EAST BAY BLOND MASSEUR

Full body erotic massage in the nude! Come and relax. Sean (510) 639-7086

HOT 23YO COLLEGE GUY gives oil Swedish massage. Off 280 in SF. Smooth, gymed, Italian guy. Great buns, great tits. Patrick 791-1214. In/Out.

Erotic Therapy*Lean Athletic Body **BAREASSSED SANTA CRUZ** 8am-11pm. Gary, CMT, 831-429-8369

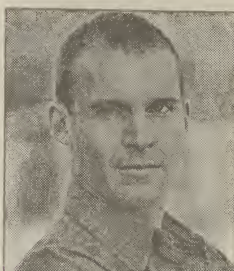
Massage n play for gym goers n in-shape guys. Handsome muscular hung Italian offers body trim ass n ball shave! Tony 487-1959

Solid muscular CMT w/strong hands & sensual touch 6'180 48 Chip 626-4093


CUTE YOUNG ASIAN BOYS Smooth, sensual, gymtuned 18+ In/Out. Pager 270-9752

21yr cute latin boy 415-245-9721 Sensual massage \$55/hr Out. Eddy

MASSAGE



EROTISSAGE
By GARY CMT
Tantra, Breath, Intimacy,
Body Electric Grad
Day & Evening Appointments Available
Page 679-0262



Swedish
Sensual
Strong
Delano
(415) 376-5770
Be more than
satisfied.

BLOW-AWAY, FULL-BODY
DADDY MASSAGE
LUSH • SATISFYING
JAS
CASTRO LOCATION • 864-5447



Body Electric CMT
(510) 336-1999
Overweight, Older Welcome
Oakland Studio
www.massagerotic.com
Erotic Massage & Enemas

COMPLETE RELEASE
CONCORD-WALNUT CREEK
FULL BODY/FULL PLEASURE
BY FRED OR BUTCHY
90-MINUTES/\$35
CALL: 925-682-5675



Come feel the
heat of Thailand.
Sensual Thai MSG
by Kob 346-7975
ASIAN JOCK

Sensual nude massage 5'5" 140 Lbs
Handsome Latin boy Kevin \$55/Hr
In/Out 415-355-9315. Friendly

34yo, 185. Muscular Swimmers Build
TALL BLOND 6'3"
Hairy chest, dark blond/blue, hot
massage 415-449-5968. Out Only

Worked out Black dude 208-1763
Clean cut & sexy. \$55 Out Only

Whatever it takes for your
pleasure. Page 791-5729

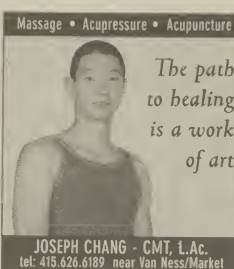
SAN JOSE
Therapeutic Massage-Swedish/Deep
Tissue (408) 279-8265 * Mike

DEEP SENSUAL PLEASURE
Quality Swedish & Intercrural
work by a prof man-Doug 837-7516

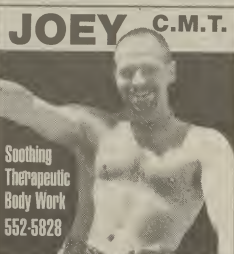
Erotic Swedish/Deep Tissue by
cute, masc. GWM, 28, 5'10"/150, beard
nice body, friendly. In or Out.
415-533-8181 or 621-5569(10-10)

WWW.SFGAYMESSAGE.COM
BLD, BL, 5'9" 150, 25YR Model, CMT
Ver, erotic, Kyle in/out 251-0174

TWO YOUNG, CUTE MEN
Massage Therapy. Nurturing touch
Peter & Shane 934-9564/251-0613pg



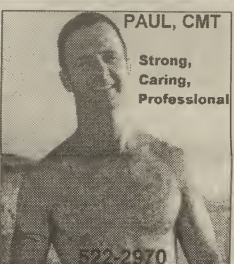
Massage • Acupressure • Acupuncture
The path
to healing
is a work
of art
JOSEPH CHANG - CMT, L.Ac.
tel: 415.626.6169 near Van Ness/Market



JOEY C.M.T.
Soothing
Therapeutic
Body Work
552-5828



Jim
Masculine
Touch
310-6624



PAUL, CMT
Strong,
Caring,
Professional
522-2970



GREAT MASSAGE!
Experience a Sensual
Massage
Clean
Private
Twin Peaks
E-Z Parking
Call Danny
9am - 10pm
415-647-9777 \$10 OFF WITH THIS AD



**THAI MASSAGE IN
SAN JOSE**
Page 408-815-1710
Please ask for Massage

EROTIC HOT-OIL RUB
Very uninhibited & giving smooth
lean guy gives sensual rub in the
nude-downtown-Scott 921-1550

ASIAN MAGIC
for soothing, relaxing touch
Call Alex 415-563-7055
Pager: 415-414-8844

RUSSIAN RVR MASSAGE
Total bodywork by exp bodyworker
Strong, sexy, nurturing and relieving
Mike * *CMT* (707) 869-3236

NEW EXOTIC ASIAN BOY
Full sensual/therapeutic massage by
young smooth cute Daniel. (415)
282-2811 or page 244-5842. EZpar-
king. Tourists welcome 10am-11pm

27yo Latin hunk invites U2 relax
CARLOS*IN/OUT*807-5079
http://home.att.net/~Sensual Massage/



**LOVING
STROKES**
Nurturing, Sensual
Healing, Satisfying
STRONG HANDS
SENSITIVE & EXPERIENCED
From Stress Reduction to
Simple Relaxation
STEVE C.M.T.
821-2985



(415) 244-DIRK
SWEDISH
hot oil
massage
BREEMA
non-oil
bodywork



STUART, CMT
(415) 642-8087
stuart@yahoo.com
Premium Bodywork
5 Years Experience
Great Location!



latino
\$45
NUDE
SWEDISH
SENSUAL
franco
pager 841-8476



Relax
in My
Hands
*intuitive certified
non table
10am-9pm
Jon
415-255-1986
Castro location

MODELS/ ESCORTS

SIZE 12 FEET-HOT- TOP
Gd Lking Foot top 39yo, 6'1", 195#
Scott (415) 790-0902 In/Out calls

CHOKO ON THIS
Friendly fun-loving laidback or
a take charge kinda guy. Ready
4 action. Br/br washbrd ass.
Vincent 415 431-6253 \$90 24hrs.

Goodlooking, 6'1", 165 Lbs
ASIAN TOP
\$80/\$100 * JIM 267-1817

BRAZILIAN BOY
21yo, 5'10", 154#, smooth. Mascu-
line, great kisser, friendly, very hot
PASSIONATE LOVER
Fernando (415) 303-4342 (pgr/vm)
brazilianboy@usa.net out only


Spanking & Paddling
Discreet, 773-9130 Kory

Mike, 30, 5'10", 200#, Bld/Blu
Clean-cut, Muscle Hunk
In/Out \$100 (415) 863-8932

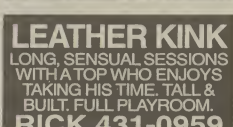
Kicks back for service *24 Hours
10X6"UNCUT
Big fat tool 503-0504 Pgr678-1005

Better than Valium
Full Body Massage 715-6410 Brad

MODELS/ESCORTS



TV Lattimore
TOP
9" CUT
415-841-6294



LEATHER KINK
LONG, SENSUAL SESSIONS
WITH A TOP WHO ENJOYS
TAKING HIS TIME. TALL &
BUILT. FULL PLAYROOM.
RICK 431-0959

LEATHER/SM/FANTASY
39yo top 6'1", 195# 7" uncut, flat top
Gd lking into bondage, s/m, w/s,
f/f, cbt, violet wand, toys, boots.
Beginner? Have playspace & equip.
Scott (415) 790-0902 Pg# In or Out

Be the happiest man alive 792-8028
CUTE ASIAN BOY
BB Bottom In/Marin, Out/Bay Area
Ted* (415) 459-3488

Hot Hawaiian-Jap 2 rockhard
smooth globes of butt! Loads of
relief 29yo, 24hr. 650-592-4620

BLK HANDSOME STUD TOP
Very discrete and friendly clean
slim built with boyish looks and
well endowed also stays hard
first timers welcome out only
CEDRIC PGR VM 510 639-6576

Italian stud, black hair brn eyes
6ft, swimmer's build, defined chest &
legs, bedroom eyes, beautiful ass,
8" uncut, Outcalls, Pref/hotels. Gino
22. model looks Hourly/over night
Don't you want it now. 436-0402 VM

HOT MOUTH 708-5388
Oral service give and receive
WHAT'S YOUR FANTASY? ANDY
Naked runner \$40 650-347-2468
SF & Penins 7.5" big balls 53yo/ out

HOT MAN FROM BOISE
5'10" 152lbs swimmers build let
your fantasies run wild Dean
415 307-9123

LEATHER JOCK STUD
32, 5'10", 160#, buzzcut, sweet
face, bubble butt, with a thick
tool for the job. Andy 708-5388

**EROTIC MASSAGE
IN THE NUDE**
Masculine nude 25yo hairy chest
and legs, cute butt! Release
with a handsome straight acting
guy. Outcalls anywhere in S.F.
Bay 510-912-8812 Brice great
release after \$80

**WHEN YOU WANT A MAN
NOT A BOY**
Thirty something with good looks &
a sense of humor looking 4 adven-
ture. I'm well built, aggressive top!
XXXHUNGXXXTHICK!!!
Max 415-431-6253 \$90. 24hrs.

Headmaster/Oral Fun/ 8" Stud/Ball
& Tit Play/Ken/ 346-4966/ \$60

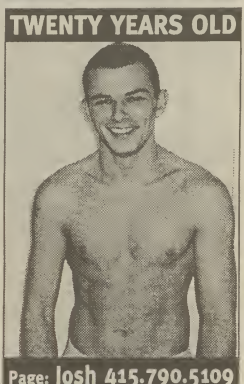
GREEK GOD
6' 150lbs, Thick jet-black hair.
Long eyelashes, defined, lean, toned
chest, beautiful sexy yummy ass.
Twin mounds of pleasure!
Affectionate, passionate, exclusive
classy model looks, serious, generous
discriminating clients. Hourly &
overnight rates. Hotels.

Nick (510) 832-6323 outcalls

Masculine good looks, muscular
tall 9" ct hairy verbal 764-6280



CENTERFOLD
In S.F. for July & August only
"PLAYGIRLS" BEST
COLT MODEL
\$100
6'2", 200lbs, 8" cut
Pgr# 208-4216



TWENTY YEARS OLD
Page: Josh 415.790.5109

Sexy, playful, muscular top. I'm 29
with a hard, defined gymnast's body;
broad shoulders, great chest, popping
biceps, handsome face, 8 hard inches
offering hot, sensual, intimate times.
Jeff 679-8487 vm \$120hr.

ASIAN SPICE
Houng, 25, 5'9", 150#, smooth.
100/hr. Pager: 408-815-1710.
E-mail/pic: AsianEsc@aol.com

MYSTERY MAN
26yo, 145lbs, muscular, smooth, and
very cute! Open to almost any-
thing! Please be serious, no b.s.
In/out travel 24 hours call!!
505-8256

YES SIR!!
Masculine bottom to serve you
5'9" lean & smooth
Take control. pg Nick 709-1467

Horny Stud. Open to all fantasies.
Hung long & xxthick. Sexy quality.
STRICTLY TOP
Mike 415-861-7399 \$90. Call now!

WANT IT ROUGH?
Lean, smooth leather top, 32,
gives it like you need it.
Sm/bd/f/w/s, dog/slave training
PAGE JACK 790-3312

22yo Frat boy Hunk
Solid muscular pecs, abs, & legs.
Deep throat and young jock ass.
5'9", 155#s, 30" w, 8" ct 739-7312

CLEAN CUT, SUPERCUTE
32, 6'1 1/2", 200lbs 8 1/2" cut
\$120 out Steve 922-3492

LEATHER PLAY
Bondage, tt, cbt, w/s, ff,
6'180, 34, 7 1/2cut, hairy, pierced
Ray 415 672-3007 Msg 415 558-8818

LEATHER TOP!
Handsome, Expert Master
Light To Heavy Sensual s/m
TOM 415-487-1296

HOT LATIN BOY
21yo, 5'10", 156#, slender and
smooth. Masculine, uncult,
passionate kisser, friendly,
Safe and discreet.
Rick (415) 245-2032 (pgr/vm)
latinboys@yahoo.com out only

Hndsm, hairy, massively endowed
4 oral worship 415-256-6743

MODELS/ESCORTS

S/M SENSUALITY

-long, & slow-my specialty.
6'2", 185, strong, gymtuned
master into all aspects &
degrees of leatherplay.
S/M, B&D, FF, WS, raunch.
Lord 431-0959

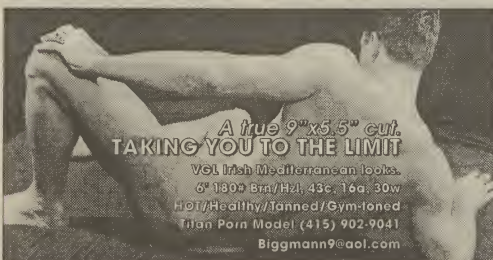
SIZE MATTERS

Hard, raw, tight, long, thick, juicy stud.
A real 9x7 Experienced Top!

Justin 415-810-5611 \$85in/\$90out

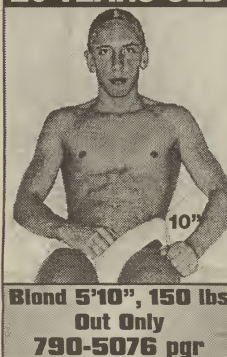


OH DADDY!
10.5 X 7.5
6'3" 200 47
PGR/VM
415.224.9382
sfhngdad@aol.com



A true 9"x5.5" cut.
TAKING YOU TO THE LIMIT
Vel Irish Mediterranean looks.
6' 180# Brn/Ht, 43c, 16a, 30w
HOT/Healthy/Tanned/Gym-toned
Iran Porn Model (415) 902-9041
Bigmann9@aol.com

20 YEARS OLD



10"
Blond 5'10", 150 lbs
Out Only
790-5076 pgr

20 YR BLK MALE

Smooth athletic build
9 1/2in. cut 100 satisfaction
in/out 24hrs will travel
Just call me Aust'n 1-888 566 1975

SEXY TOP

Very handsome, hung, passionate,
creative, strong & gentle, will give
you what you need & fulfill your
fantasies, very friendly 207-6117

DOMINATION!!!

S&m, bondage, etc. Please be serious
No b.s. In/out 24hrs 505-8256

SACRAMENTO

26 built long lasting hot top
46c, 33w, 18a brn/haze, friendly
(916) 569-9954 wow!

TOTAL BLACK TOP THUG

HERE TO USE YOU THE FREAKY
WAY YOU NEED \$160
TY 510 532-0591 OUT ONLY

6', 205#, hot construction worker w/
HAIRY MUSCLES
Strong arms, big chest & powerful
butt & legs call me if you want
to service, be dominated, or just
shown some affection 201-6533

Pec & Nipple work. Kory
Kory 773-9130

Sexy blond jock with w/shbrd abs &
Incredible pecs. 5'9", 165, 8
1/2" c tanned masculine, & very
handsome, \$100/\$120.
JASON 864-1190

Shvd head tattooed masc punk
30,155, 5'9" out only 245-8517

Handsone 22y/o w/packed shorts
SOCCER JOCK
Lean, athletic body- versatile
Kevin pg#605-5328 in/out 24/7

sanfranciscort ruck at man-maxt

CUTE 25YR OLD
5'8" 135# smooth clean cut
Discrete brown/brown Chad
415-241-9381 \$100

★ ACTION ★



"Erotic Rubdowns"
1 or 2 Hot Hard Studs
(same price)
Looks Guaranteed
Masculine & Discreet
College Boys
415.582.8528
24 HOURS

Tall blond handsome student new
muscular hung friendly strictly
kick back late calls 208-2720

9x7 fantasy top man- 6ft 160#
Erik-24-hour hard-on 807-7776

MAN WITH A FIST-TOYS
Need a helping hand? I'm great
w/beginners thru advanced. Give
it up 2 Nick-Nob Hill-885-1471

Handsome Italian deeply tanned
6'1" 180 well-built sexy 807 9822

ROUGH TRADE PUNK
Tattoos, piercings, 5'10", 165#, 26
bleach blond, blue eyes, mild to
wild and versatile- 336-5455

MASCULINE BLACK
Dominant top
very hot and big
10 1/2 uncult. 145-5'6", 28
call Dr. J. -\$150
648-7391 mail box 2#
Out only

MUSCULAR BB
6', 190#, 30W, 47C, 16A
TAN, LT-HRY, BRN/CREW,
HOT, HUNG-9+, VERS/TOP
FOR A REAL MAN PAUL
(415) 225-9072

CREOLE YOUTH
Affectionate, boyish, 22y/o, 5'7"
133#, almond-shaped eyes, smooth
In San Francisco, out only
Page Eric (650) 523-6038

HAPPY SEXY TREATS
Vgl 28, 5'9", 150 blond, great shape,
German boy wants to fulfill your
deepest dreams. Dungeon, public ab-
duction, slave scenes or just the good
ole' happy dee hopp. You
choose. Pleasure guaranteed. Out only
THOMAS & FRIENDS
560-4970 pgr.

5'8" 140# 32yo hairy toned tats
INTENSE FIST
Small expert hands
Digger 415-215-8396 out only

Dominant Leatherman

Bondage,
SM, WS,
CBT,
F/F,
Fetish,
Slave
Training.

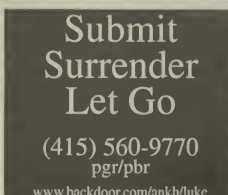
39yo,
6'1", 195#,
Brown Hair,
flat top,
Blue Eyes,
mustache,
7" Uncut.

Beginners Welcome

Have equipment and playspace.

Scott (415) 790-0902 IN/OUT

http://www.netcom.com/~puddles/fiscot/index.htm



Submit
Surrender
Let Go
(415) 560-9770
pgr/pbr
www.backdoor.com/ankh/luke



RAVEN
510-
320-
5993

TRAVELING STUD
Requires 1st class service.
175 muscular 8" thick & hot butt.
Sexy, classy, fun. Pgr 206-980-6807
Cell 206-931-6763 Brad

REAL S/M
Pain/bondage/juice/babies/dogs/
sense-dep/humiliation/ff.
Private space S.F. No novies
LUTHER 272-5847

Eager to please
RUSSIAN IRISH MAN/BOY
24, 6'1" 190lbs br hair goatee
Very friendly/discrete. Thick 8"
Steve 253 2264 out only

WIDER IS BETTER!!!
Goodlooking stud who is thicker
than most will fulfill your fantasy.
This stud knows how to treat you
right. Is xxx hung too!
Craig \$95 415 861-Sexx

GERMAN LUST
Uninhibited, playful and sheer plea-
sure guaranteed by German 21 blond,
hz, 5'9", 150 great shape with tan-
lines. Can you let your dreams come
true?
YES, PAGE 560-4410

HORNY LAD
MAKES YOU GLAD
21, blu/blu sexy swimmers build
Hot, hung, cute boy Hans 270-9418

PUERTORICAN MEAT
6'4" 190# brown/green 8x6
24hrs 415 208-3359

MACK DARWIN
WATERBOYS PORN STAR
Total top-all scenes
415-260-1725
www.somastud.com

YOUNG & TENDER
19yo, 6', 170, 7" cut, drk blond/blu
swimmers body, clean cut, smooth
top/bottom. Days & some evenings
\$130/hr. In/out. Page 245-3136 Mike

TICKLISH ESCORTS
WANTED \$ 928-8765

From passionate-playmate to
fantasy-fulfiller, this 25y old
Irish lad can take you where
you need to go! outcall-998-8087

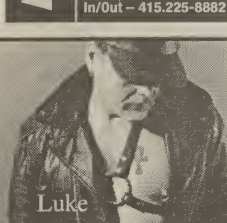


Anthony Lafont

New Falcon Exclusive

6'4 Top with
9 fat, uncut inches
here from France for
a limited time only.
In/Out - 415.225-8882

Joe 415-431-6253 \$100



LUKE



SUPER THICK
UNCUT TOP 9"
Masculine, cleancut athletic build.
Goodlooking satisfying.
In. Out 24 hrs
Joe 415-431-6253 \$100

Aggressive military boy. All
fantasies. Cute, lean, versatile.
\$80- great, smooth butt. 339-7888

Handsone hung Italn/German stud
CHOKER ON THIS!
34,6' 150# 30w hairy chest/legs
huge 10x7 dominant masc intngt
gentle strength & arousing edge
aggressive oral top or kicks bk
for service. Verbal, some kink
Sf Bay Area Tom 415 256-6743

EX-COP
Feet back and spread!
Masculine, goodlooking, all man.
6'2", hairy, buzzed, stache/goatee
In/out. 415.235.8944 Trip

A good top is hard to find but
a hard top thats good is what you
need! Handsome muscular hung Ital-
ian seeks gym goers and in shape
guys 4 play. Tony 487-1959

CLEAN-CUT AUSSIE BLOKE
Statue of David type. Fresh to S.F.
Big, warm, sensual, powerful hands.
Hot! for Outcalls call "Outback"
310-2930

Handsone tan 6ft 9 1/2x6
white 43yo top-buttplay toys. ff not
rushed. 415 8642974.CW. bytoys

BOYLESK BOYS
Write: P.O.B. 4022, Santa Rosa,
Ca. 95402-4022. Free news!
(707) 773-3337

SUPER BOY
22yrs wholesome cute thin fair
info: www.sonic.net/~goblin/w
pgr: 415-414-1669 out-call fun

Tit play/ butt paddled or fisted
hung hard-bodied Dan 775-4623

Lean muscular daddy experienced
in the art of pleasure you've got the
most beaut meat I've ever seen but
it's bigger than 8 1/2" sling-leather-
pump uniforms. Photo on web
Marathon's available 6', 180, 48yo
Derek 207 0381

DARK, FURRY, MUSC, MAN
great bod for versatile pleasure
\$120 no attitude
415 303 4MAN

OREGAN LOGGER
53c 18a 34w 8" log solid mountain
of muscles. Rich pgr 415 267 7773



Luke Steele

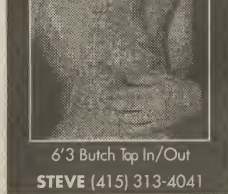
6' 210"

pgr: 201.6533

lukesteele.com



HORSE HUNG
FARMBOY



STEVE (415) 313-4041

GAY-TOP-ESCORT

Easy-going, black, uncut & big
6' 165# well toned, clean shaven
short hair. Call for out appt.
415.253.8080 \$150

Blonde, goatee, pierced, tattooed
LONG HAIR SURFER
6', 200, 31, bi, very masc, muscular
great looking, passionate top
Zach 515-1428 msg. Out only

pix at www.lovin.com
MIXED ASIAN/WHITE BOTTOM
21YR 5'6" 120LB
out only call Jake (415) 519-7546

MUSCULAR-BLOND-HORNY
-BUBBLE-BUTT-FRIENDLY
-BIG-PEKS.-CLEAN-CUT-
-LIKE-TO-DO-IT-ALL
510-549-0505 cell 510-407-9748

SIZE 12 FEET 21YO WM
739-9217 SF/OUT \$60

CUTE 25YR OLD
5'8", 135# smooth clean cut
Discrete brown/brown Chad 415-
241-9381 \$100

CORNFED & HUNG
Cleancut midwesterner
27, 5'10", 160lbs
Tight body, ripped abs
hung 9cut in/out
PGR, VM 582-9228

Hot x-smth Asian bottom 5'8", 140
swim. bld. bubl.butt 560-6353

STRAIGHT BOY TOY WILL
TRY ANYTHING! 221-8429

SMOOTH HOT 25Y OLD
5'1", 155# smooth swim bld vers.
Call Kyle 376-6396www.lovin.com

Explore male energy through
spanking, strappings. 646-0685

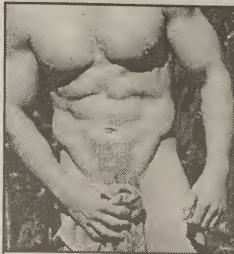
FRANK PARKER
Porn star, top, out only 225-3965

HOT SALSA!
27yo hung handsome
smooth body versatile any area
out only 415 337 4975

PORNSTAR/DANCER
Cute blk boy, 21, 5'8", 130#, 8"u/c
swimmer's build bubble butt
kinky and versatile w/toys
pgr 313 2954 out only Richard

PERSONALS

MODELS/ESCORTS



978-NUDE
HANDSOME, CLEAN-CUT, 36YO TOP
HOT: FRIENDLY. 5'7", 155#. IN/OUT \$150



gorgeous european
american boy

5'11" 10#
of ripped muscle

very hot • classy • intelligent
super sexy
415-699-6715
Photo taken May 11 1999

Get me B4 I go

BIG AUSTRALIAN BOY
6'3" 225# MUSCULAR HUNG
NO SHAVED WANNABE PORN STAR
Just a real man, after real money
so call pronto for booking
the names Marc on 415 336-8925

KINKY BOY
Golden shower and kink top
very hot body 207-3688

HOT HUNG MANBOY
VGL 24yo 6', 175, br/bl
BIG 9x6 cut tool
hair/goatee sexy & fun
Johnathan 415.270.8035

GERMAN FLORIDA BOY
with soft smooth chest
28, 5'9", 150 blond, hz, vgl, great
shape, great tanlines to explore, with
8 inches of pleasure, versatile some-
times, out only
THOMAS 336-6900

How's your sweet manpussy? Sexy
Southern top bear avail. for ws/
fl/nips/toys. S.F. only 339-7465

Young, cute, hung
SMOOTH BLONDE BOY
19, 5'10", 140#, vers/sub
vm/prg 605-6521 SF out only

TALL GLASS OF WATER
6'3" 215lbs of smooth, cleancut musc.
HUNGTHICK9.5X7
Cell 415 205-2107

Smooth, cute, boyish, hung
CUTE BOY NEXT DOOR
23, 6', 145lbs, bl/bl, 8"
vm/prg 605-9016 in/out

25 y/o 5'10" 155#
TIGHT SEXY BODY
Very handsome, & smart butch boy,
friendly & reliable 415-207-8392

Blond dancer-kinky fetish top.
All scenes. Vick 337-3848 \$85

YOUNG BLOND GUY
Into-servicing-being serv.
Avail 24-7 out. Page 791-3227

TEEN SMOOTH PUERTO RICAN,
RENEE 415-902-1630

B/d, s/m good kinky fun! Novice ok
19YO MASTER/FETISHES
5'9", 140# blk hair blu eye 8" cut
smooth & sinewy & creative & kink w/
playroom \$90-120 in/out 974-6083

ROUGH BLK TRADE

5'8" 170 30YO C44/W29/A17/Q26
8" CUT 160 OUT
415 977-7545

8" kinky uncut boy Austen 251-1636
Top? Bottom? How do-u-decide???
We-r-1 of each! Often, we-r-both!
LET'S PUT-U-N-BETWEEN
Superhung (9x7) dad w/muscle "boy"
We r-strong/ playful/kink to mild
lovin' work; call now! You may
next! Ring Darren/PJ @ 641-8756

XXTRA NAUGHTY
OR
XXTRA NICE
IF U HAVE ME ONCE
U WILL WANT ME TWICE
Uninhibited, great looking blond
tight athletic build, awesome
personality, smile & butt.
5'7", 140lbs, blond blue, 28 avail
SF/East Bay & hotels Barry 245-7616

LATINO MEAT
Hot Puerto Rican to satisfy
6'4", 190# 8x6 call 24hrs 208-3359
Give in to your desire!

HORNY STUDENT 22YO
Versatile Latin stud
pg John 415-560-1769

Wild fun mutual respect, 19yo
5'11", 150lbs. 8" cut, all things
considered, Sean (510) 288-9397

SMOOTH PONYBOY
Saddled & ready 2 ride out mens
hungry appetites: from mild 2 wild
5'10", 160 brn/grn 32wst 42chst
7cut & tanlined w/shaved assets. By
appt.-24hrs- in/out. Matt 355-1014

ASIAN SPICE
Hung, 25, 5'9", 150#, smooth.
100/hr. Pager: 408-815-1710.
E-mail/pic: AsianEsc@aol.com

Lean muscular build
HOT, HORNY, AND HUNG
Pierced and tattooed
8 thick inches 510 389 5512

SAN JOSE BOY
25, 5'11", 165#, blonde hair, tan.
120/hr. Pager/Voice: 408-882-8669.
http://members.aol.com/SnJoseStud

New! Bisexual 24yo tall n slender
student 6'4" 180lbs. 7" uncut
couples ok. Nick (510) 288-9397

HOT BI LATINO
Very good-looking top, 6', 160#,
23yo, seeks worthy subs to
worship & appreciate me. SF &
Sacto Antonio 415-298-6452

SWEET 21 YR OLD
Firm smooth boy body
Erick Pager 415-313-8948

LATINO CLUB BOY
Puerto Rican-22, gym toned
boyish bod, bleached hair, bubble butt
8.5"X5.5" ROCK HARD
http://www.latinoboy.com
Xtra hot (415) 244-8665-24hrs.

SLAVE FOR SALE
Obedient submissive, great
body. I'm ready for anything
sir! 24hrs David 207-5498

You: massage small endowed hunk.
Enjoy yourself. Out. 510/466-0455

5'7" 135# sexy, slim, smooth 908-8888
ASIAN PORN STAR
Hot, horny, handsome \$65in/\$85out

OLYMPUS ENTERTAINMENT
EXCEPTIONAL MALE ESCORT SERVICES
415.648.0734
Applicants welcomed

ALL AMERICAN JOCK
REX, 26, 6'
Very Goodlooking, Blond, Masculine, Muscular Bodybuilder
46" Chest / 32" Waist / Thick & Well-Endowed • Outcalls Only
415 708-1521

Berliner Bratwurst
handsome, 29 y. 5' 9", 150 lb, 8" uncut; 100 -90min
(510) 644-0221
www.berlinboy.com

Titan Video Star Dean Coulter
29.5'8". 200.brn/brn. 7" cut. vers
\$200.00 out only - no attitude
www.deancoulter.com
415/298-4165

Sensual Msg. Escort
Body/Foot Worship
Discount for 2 clients
346-7975 Kevin
ASIAN DREAM

CHINESE STUD
25 y/o Cute, Bubbly, 5'11" 160
Lbs, 7" Uncut, Top. \$80/\$100
Dean (415) 251-0261
(voice mail)

FETISH, ANYONE?
Are you a man with a unique imagination?
Special cravings? Enjoy erotic
adventure tailored to your special kink;
Mild to edge. Private playroom.
Call LEATHERMASTER
436-9379

Here's What You Want
► SUPER HUNG ◀
► EXTRA HANDSOME ◀
Sexy Jock with defined
muscular body & very versatile.
Matt 864-1190 In/Out

PEOPLE

3 WAYS!
Join the party on Club Voice-MALE!
Meet guys TODAY! Browse & Match FREE!
415-247-5555
Use code 4185 18+

CURIOS & CANDLES
A universe of magical supplies
sex charms, gifts & tarot readings
289 Divisadero 12-7 M-Sa. 1-5 Sun
(415) 863-6669

Ring In The New Year
With A Hot Horny Guy At...
MANSCAN
LIVE MEN 24 HOURS!
1-473-407-8191
Meet Someone New! act fast!!!

BEAR HUNTERS!
Hot and raunchy cubs are looking
for YOU on ManPark™!
415-356-6900
USE BEAR TRAP CODE 4725

Good Head in Sonoma County.
Call Days 707-823-3895

Butt bottoms wanted, experienced in
plugs, toys and hands. 752-0971

Bare-Assed Spanking
Experienced, Safe: 647-0984

Hot Bi Guy sucks 18-25 * 821-2344

Need items for AIDS charity: books,
clothes, etc. Tax deductible. 861-8661

PENIS ENLARGE
FDA vacuum pumps & surgical add
1-3" Permanent Help Impotence.
Free brochures Dr Joel Kaplan (619)
574-PUMP. drjoelkaplan.com

I strap ass, 69. (510) 654-1122

Job Wanted: Live-in personal sec, cook
driver, no salary needed. Ex refs.
Leave message 415-835-2152

HOT, HUNG & HORNY
1-473-407-8506
Int'l toll applies 18+ am

DOMINATION MANPARK
415-356-6900
FREE to record, listen & respond!
18+ code 2409

MAN 2 MAN
Welcome to the MeetLine
1-206-496-MEET

Tall, Dark and HUNG men are
waiting to play with you on
The Confidential Connection
415-247-2000
Use FREE code 3954

Dominant Dad wants boy for work-
over and fun. Serious only 665-4825

Body Trim & Shave. Castro location.
Call for apptmt * 626-1168

Well bit WM 8" nds hot WM (20-37)
hairy, to eat/fuck * 776-7472

BODY TRIM
Back, butt, balls, etc, \$20+

In/Out * Frank * 510-506-5655

Late Night OK

RIGHT NOW!
People are:
Making life-long friends, living life to
the fullest and having sex!!!

WWW.HOMONATION.COM

BODY READINGS
Psychic Divination Reading of body
parts-feet, knees, penis, etc. Appt only
Rod 415-255-1164. \$30

HOT YOUNG GUYS!
Join the party! Club Voice Mail™
415-247-5555
Browse, Match & Chat! 18+ code 3981

BEND OVER!
Take it like a MAN on
ManPark™! Try it FREE!
415-356-6900
Use PLEASURE PASS 4711

SPANKING!
CP - DISCIPLINE PARTY
August 13
Every second Friday!
9:00 pm- 2:00 am
926 Natoma Btwn 10-11th St
Sponsored by Man's Hand Films

6', 280, white male offers good head &
large, clean, hairy butt. Black a +!!
510-843-0555

CONGRATULATIONS TO:
MARK & JEAN
1999 Mr & Ms Alameda Co. Leather

Websites: \$20 Includes your pic,
5K text. Email to: gayart@jps.net

GAM luv's sucking cock n more
Sks 30s-40s white male Vallejo and
surr. area. 707-548-8730

Good head by older man 826-6858

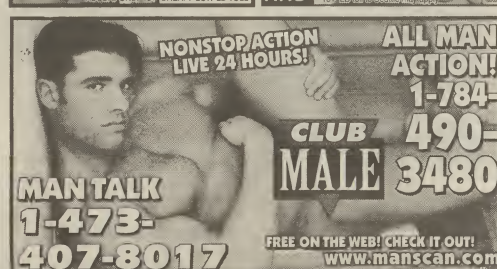
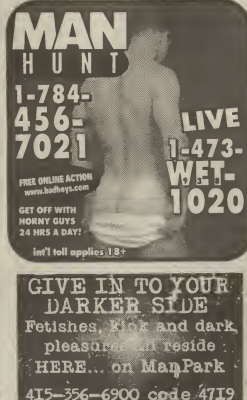
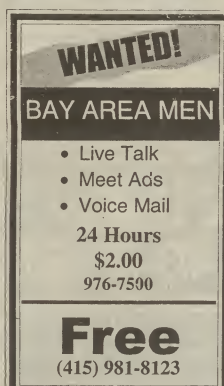
Castro-younger men only Afternoon/ Eve

PETER I LUV U!
After 27 years I love you still (and
lust after you more than ever).

Thanks for hanging in there with me.
Happy anniversary
Your HBBB.

PEOPLE

Quench Your Desire!



BAY AREA REPORTER

CLASSIFIED ORDER FORM

DEADLINE

NOON on MONDAY.
Payment *must* accompany ad.
No ads taken over the
telephone. If you have a
question, call 415.861.5019.
Display advertising rates
available upon request.

RATES

First line, Regular	4.50
All subsequent lines	3.00
CAPS	double price
BOLD	double price
X-BOLD	triple price

PAYMENT

- ☐ Cash
☐ Personal Check
☐ Money Order
☐ Visa
☐ MasterCard

Minimum \$10 charge
on Visa and MasterCard.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

Card Number _____

Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

Name _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name		Telephone
Address		
City	State	Zip
Number of Issues	Classification	Amount Enclosed

**MAIL WITH
PAYMENT TO:**
BAY AREA
REPORTER
395 Ninth Street
San Francisco, CA
94103

OR FAX TO:
415.861.8144

Indicate
Type Style
Here ▼

X-BOLD Stops Here ▼

BOLD Stops Here ▼

CAPS Stop Here ▼

Regular Stops Here ▼

THE DUNGEON



1-800-800-8900

I-ON-I

GROUPS

VOICE MAIL

FANTASIES

Try it for FREE. Call 775-329-3722

Password: TOM

As low as 49¢/minute
to your Visa/MC as CompuQuest.

MONTHLY ACCESS CHEAPER THAN AOL

THE *NEW* NUMBER

SEX DELIVERY SYSTEM



UNCENSORED PERSONALS
W/HOME PHONE NUMBERS!

INSTANT MESSAGE OR TALK
LIVE IN THE CHAT ROOM

WWW.NEWNUMBER.COM

FREE AD PLACEMENT

(415) Visa/MC | Free List

398.1616

(900) 24 hr access/\$2.40 billed to phone

505.3333